



# RBC U.S. Equity Fund

**Fund Category**  
US Equity

**Morningstar Rating™**  
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## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth by investing in equity securities of U.S. companies to provide broad exposure to economic growth opportunities in the U.S. market.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF263
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF804
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF704
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF132
F	No Load	CAD	RBF615
I	No Load	CAD	RBF157

Inception Date	July 1966
Total Assets \$Mil	2,727.7
Series A NAV \$	19.53
Series A MER %	2.07
Benchmark	S&P 500 (\$C)

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually
Sales Status	Open
Min. Investment \$	500
Subsequent Investment \$	25

Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

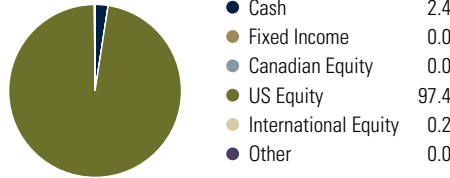
## Notes

Minimum investment for Series I units of the Fund is \$500,000. Minimum additional investment is \$5,000.

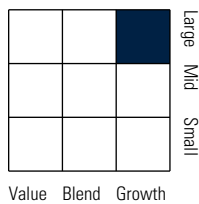
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## Portfolio Analysis as of December 31, 2011

### Asset Mix



### Equity Style



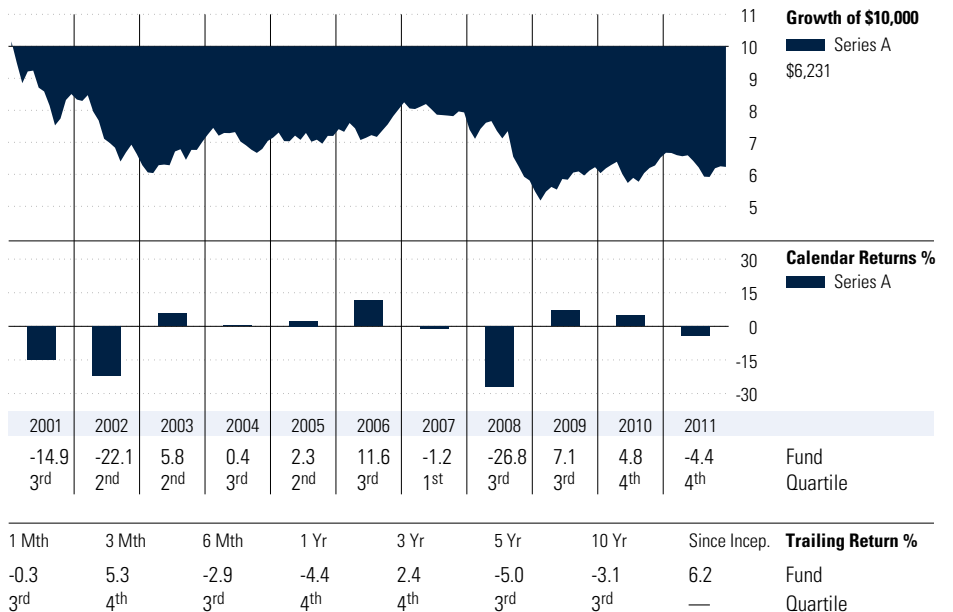
### Global Equity Sectors

Sector	% Equity
Information Technology	21.3
Financials	14.7
Consumer Discretionary	14.1
Energy	12.4
Health Care	10.8
Industrials	8.8
Consumer Staples	8.4
Utilities	4.0
Materials	3.9
Telecommunication Services	1.6
Unclassified	0.0

### Top 25 Holdings

Company	% Assets
Exxon Mobil Corporation	3.6
Apple, Inc.	3.5
UnitedHealth Group Inc	2.3
JPMorgan Chase & Co	2.3
Wells Fargo & Co	2.2
Chevron Corp	2.1
Citigroup Inc	1.9
International Business Machines Corp	1.8
General Electric Co	1.7
Pfizer Inc	1.6
The Procter & Gamble Co	1.5
Alexion Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	1.5
Cisco Systems Inc	1.5
Google, Inc.	1.4
Qualcomm, Inc.	1.4
The Coca-Cola Co	1.3
CVS Caremark Corp	1.3
The Walt Disney Co	1.3
Occidental Petroleum Corporation	1.3
Microsoft Corporation	1.3
Intel Corp	1.3
Capital One Financial Corp	1.2
State Street Corp	1.2
AmerisourceBergen Corp	1.2
TJX Companies	1.2
Total % of Top 25 Holdings	43.1
Total Number of Stock Holdings	111
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	1
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>112</b>

## Performance Analysis as of December 31, 2011





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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### RBC GAM U.S. Equity Committee

Chaired by Ray Mawhinney Senior Vice President, U.S. and Global Equities. Ray has been in the investment industry since 1984.

### Performance Analysis Cont'd as of December 31, 2011

Distributions (\$)/Unit	2011*	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Total Distributions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1Yr	Ended	3Yr	Ended	5Yr	Ended	10Yr
Best	7-1997	50.0	11-1997	25.5	3-2000	21.2	9-2000	18.1
Worst	9-2001	-30.8	3-2003	-16.9	8-2005	-8.8	8-2010	-6.4
Average		6.2		7.0		7.9		8.4
No. of Periods		289		265		241		181
Pct. Positive		69.2		69.1		60.6		74.6

\* Distributions are characterized into income type at year-end.

### Quarterly Commentary as at December 31, 2011

The RBC U.S. Equity Fund (Series A) returned 5.3% in the 4th quarter, compared to 8.7% for its benchmark.

U.S. equity markets climbed during the Q4 on optimism that Eurozone policymakers would have some success in alleviating the stress affecting global markets. Another factor aiding U.S. stocks was the better-than-expected economic statistics. This strengthened confidence that U.S. economic growth would counterbalance concerns about the slowing global expansion. The portfolio manager expects U.S. economic growth to remain steady as consumers pay down debt to levels that are more sustainable.

We saw moderate volatility this quarter, but we expect the equity market to continue to be variable throughout 2012. Corporate earnings continue to hold up well and balance sheets remain healthy, a trend we would expect to continue as corporate

executives plan conservatively over the next year. We believe that growth will remain moderate due to the slow global growth impacted by Europe's economic conditions. Valuations remain quite attractive, particularly in relation to other long term investment alternatives. We continue to feel if one has a time horizon beyond the very near term, they will be rewarded for owning U.S. stocks.

Outperformance in Financials and Consumer Staples aided the Fund, while Information Technology, Materials, and Energy detracted from overall performance this quarter. Strong individual performance in companies like Occidental Petroleum, Union Pacific Railways, Home Depot, and Google all contributed to the performance of the Fund, while companies such as Broadcom, Oracle, Amerisourcebergen, and Costco temporarily lagged the general market.

#### Major Buys

Home Depot  
Boeing Co.  
Walt Disney  
Lennar Corp.  
Raytheon Co.

#### Major Sells

Amazon.Com  
General Mills  
Salesforce.com Inc.  
Abercrombie & Fitch Co.  
Prudential Financial



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The Top 25 Holdings may change due to

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MER (%) based on actual expenses for full year period January 1 to December 31, 2011.

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