



# RBC U.S. Equity Fund

## 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
T5	No Load	CAD	RBF440

Inception Date	July 1966
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	1,912.7
Series A NAV \$	30.58
Series A MER %	2.02
Series A Adjusted MER %	1.94
Benchmark	S&P 500 Total Return Index (C\$)

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

Sales Status	Open
Min. Investment \$	500
Subsequent Investment \$	25

Fund Category	US Equity
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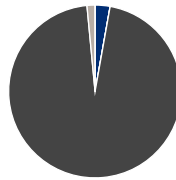
Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

## Notes

Please note the "Since Inception" rate of return includes data from October 1972 only.

## Portfolio Analysis as of May 31, 2017

### Asset Mix

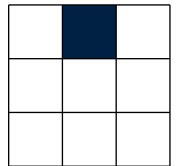


	% Assets
Cash	2.8
Fixed Income	0.0
Canadian Equity	0.0
US Equity	95.7
International Equity	1.5
Other	0.0

### Top 10 Holdings

	% Assets
Apple Inc	3.8
Microsoft Corp	3.2
Alphabet Inc A	3.0
Johnson & Johnson	2.2
Facebook Inc A	2.0
Amazon.com Inc	2.0
Bank of America Corporation	1.8
JPMorgan Chase & Co	1.8
Merck & Co Inc	1.5
Comcast Corp Class A	1.5
Total % of Top 10 Holdings	22.9
Total Number of Stock Holdings	2,251
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	6
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>2,257</b>

### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

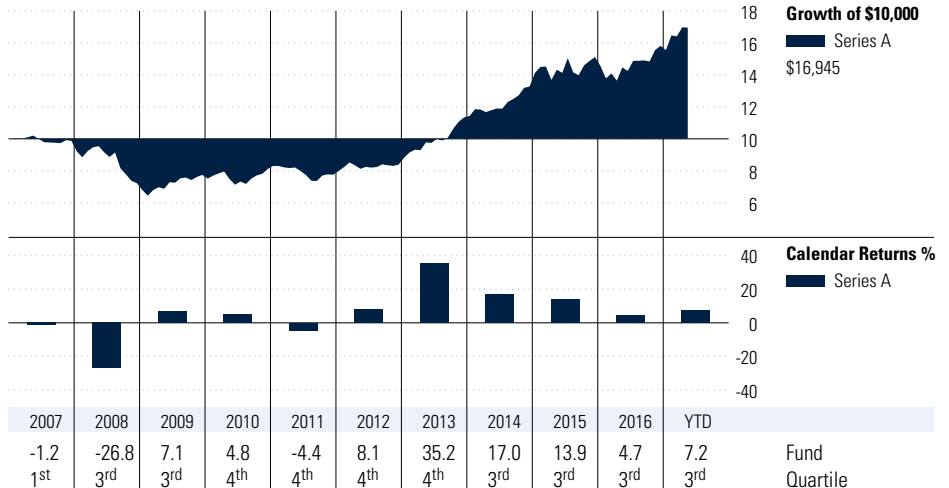
### Equity Statistics

P/B Ratio	2.6
P/E Ratio	19.8
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	127.3

### Global Equity Sectors

	% Equity
Information Technology	23.2
Financials	13.8
Consumer Discretionary	13.4
Health Care	13.1
Industrials	11.3
Consumer Staples	7.7
Energy	7.0
Utilities	3.2
Real Estate	3.2
Telecommunication Services	2.2
Materials	2.0
Unclassified	0.0

## Performance Analysis as of May 31, 2017



1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
-0.2	2.9	9.0	17.2	12.9	15.8	5.2	7.3	Fund
3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	—	Quartile
1377	1367	1338	1228	841	485	213	—	No. of Funds in Category



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Brad Willock

#### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Brad Willock joined RBC in May 1996 and RBC Global Asset Management in July 2002. In his current role, he is responsible for core and income-oriented U.S. equity mandates. Brad has a Bachelor of Commerce and a Bachelor of Science, and is a CFA charterholder.

### Performance Analysis Cont'd as of May 31, 2017

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Distributions	—	—	6.72	3.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interest	—	—	0.75	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	5.97	3.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	7-1997	50.0	11-1997	25.5	3-2000	21.2	5-2002	10.3
Worst	9-2001	-30.8	3-2003	-16.9	8-2005	-8.8	8-2010	-6.4
Average		7.1		7.3		6.6		2.9
No. of Periods		289		265		241		181
Pct. Positive		72.3		69.8		54.8		69.6

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

### Quarterly Commentary as at March 31, 2017

The U.S. stock market continued to surge higher in Q1, extending the rally that began a little over a year ago. Much like the quarter that preceded it, this most recent period featured strong rotations in sectors and style leadership as investors weighed the likelihood of the individual elements of President Trump's legislative agenda coming to fruition. In the previous quarter, cyclical sectors outperformed the market as investors focused on the potential pro-growth policies of the new administration. Furthermore, stocks with strong value characteristics outperformed stocks with superior growth traits, as investors were less inclined to pay for growth in the cyclical rally that commenced after the Brexit. In Q1, the return relationship between sectors was not as pronounced; however, we did see sectors like Health Care, Consumer Staples, and Utilities more than keep up with their cyclical counterparts.

Energy was the worst performing sector in the U.S. due to weakness in oil prices in March, concern

about OPEC discipline, and a rising rig count. An overweight in Energy detracted from performance, however it was partially offset by an overweight in Health Care, which was a top performer during the quarter. We continue to believe in the long-term success of Energy companies with strong, sustainable balance sheets, while also exhibiting healthy levels of free cash flow.

Market performance going forward will depend on tangible evidence in the form of increased economic activity and better-than-expected corporate earnings. While some of the market's advance must be attributed to the anticipation of pro-growth policy action, the fundamentals are also doing their part to drive the market higher. Surveys of U.S. economic activity are at a six-year high and the new-orders and inventory components indicate that production should keep improving.

#### Major Buys

Apache Corporation  
CSX Corporation  
Citizens Financial Group

#### Major Sells

Biogen  
Foot Locker  
Occidental Petroleum



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Adjusted MER is provided for funds with management fee changes effective June 30, 2016. The Adjusted MER represents what the reported MER would have been had management fee changes been in effect throughout 2016.

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