



# RBC O'Shaughnessy U.S. Growth Fund

## Investment Objective

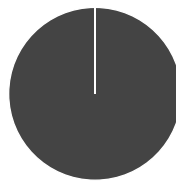
To provide long-term capital growth by investing primarily in equity securities of U.S. companies based on Strategy Indexing®, a rigorous and disciplined approach to stock selection based on characteristics associated with above-average returns over long periods of time.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF551
Inception Date		November 1997	
Total Fund Assets \$Mil		127.0	
Series A NAV \$		19.46	
Series A MER %		1.54	
Benchmark		Russell 2000 Growth Index (US\$)	
Income Distribution		Annually	
Capital Gains Distribution		Annually	
Sales Status		Open	
Min. Investment \$		500	
Subsequent Investment \$		25	
Fund Category		US Small/Mid Cap Equity	
Management Company		RBC Global Asset Management Inc.	
Web Site		www.rbcgam.com	

## Portfolio Analysis as of June 30, 2018

### Asset Mix

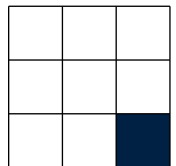


	% Assets
Cash	0.0
Fixed Income	0.0
Canadian Equity	0.0
US Equity	100.0
International Equity	0.0
Other	0.0

### Top 25 Holdings

	% Assets
Enanta Pharmaceuticals Inc	2.8
Medifast Inc	2.4
Cabot Microelectronics Corp	2.0
TechTarget Inc	1.9
Haemonetics Corp	1.7
Blucora Inc	1.7
Penn National Gaming Inc	1.7
Inogen Inc	1.6
Bottomline Technologies Inc	1.5
Conmed Corp	1.4
Aspen Technology Inc	1.4
Progress Software Corp	1.4
New York Times Co Class A	1.3
Ligand Pharmaceuticals Inc	1.2
Alamo Group Inc	1.1
BJ's Restaurants Inc	1.1
Boston Beer Co Inc Class A	1.1
Boise Cascade Co	1.1
CVR Energy Inc	1.1
FirstCash Inc	1.1
Vonage Holdings Corp	1.1
Stamps.com Inc	1.1
AppFolio Inc A	1.1
Chemed Corp	1.0
Etsy Inc	1.0
Total % of Top 25 Holdings	36.1
Total Number of Stock Holdings	180
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	0
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>180</b>

### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

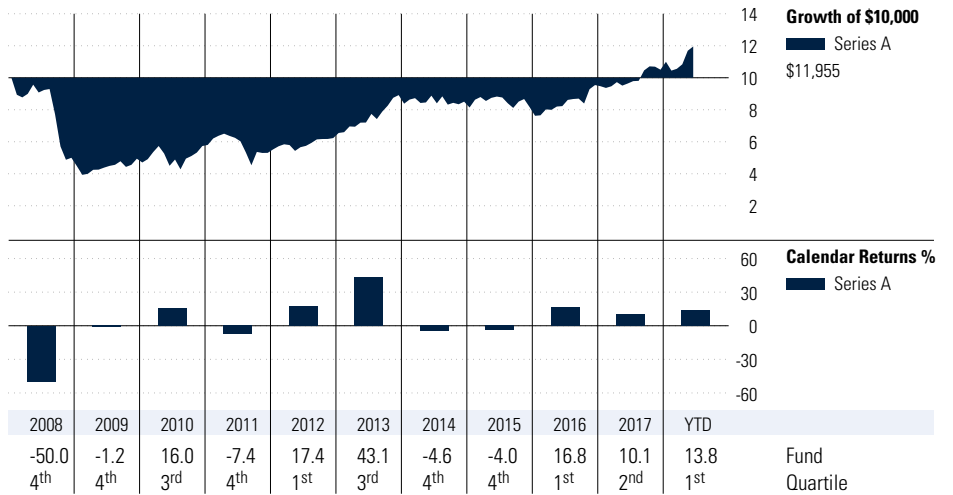
### Equity Statistics

P/B Ratio	4.0
P/E Ratio	21.7
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	2.5

### Global Equity Sectors

	% Equity
Information Technology	25.4
Health Care	22.4
Industrials	16.8
Consumer Discretionary	16.3
Consumer Staples	5.0
Financials	4.9
Materials	4.0
Energy	2.5
Telecommunication Services	1.5
Real Estate	1.4
Utilities	0.0
Unclassified	0.0

## Performance Analysis as of June 30, 2018



1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
2.3	13.2	13.8	24.0	10.7	10.7	2.8	4.8	Fund
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	—	Quartile
298	293	293	264	186	122	63	—	No. of Funds in Category



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Jim P. O'Shaughnessy

##### O'Shaughnessy Asset Management

Jim O'Shaughnessy is the Chairman of O'Shaughnessy Asset Management (OSAM). Also serving as the Chief Investment Officer of the firm, Jim is ultimately responsible for OSAM's investment strategies. He directs the Senior Portfolio Manager, Director of Research, and the Portfolio Management Team and helps to set the agenda for the team. He is also responsible for the development of OSAM's existing strategies and directs the team on idea generation and specific initiatives to improve the models and develop new factors and products.

#### Patrick O'Shaughnessy

##### O'Shaughnessy Asset Management

Patrick O'Shaughnessy is the Chief Executive Officer at O'Shaughnessy Asset Management (OSAM). Patrick oversees the day-to-day business of the firm, directing OSAM's initiatives in the areas of research and portfolio management, investor education and client service and relationships. He also serves as a Portfolio Manager. Prior to his role as CEO, Patrick spent 11 years on OSAM's Research & Portfolio Management team, working to improve the firm's investment strategies.

### Performance Analysis Cont'd as of June 30, 2018

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Total Distributions	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	3-2000	64.9	3-2006	32.0	2-2014	17.0	8-2008	11.0
Worst	2-2009	-56.0	3-2009	-29.0	9-2011	-14.9	8-2010	-4.9
Average		7.6		6.4		5.8		1.0
No. of Periods		236		212		188		128
Pct. Positive		65.3		77.8		68.6		53.9

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

### Quarterly Commentary as at June 30, 2018

During the quarter, an overweight exposure to high-momentum stocks, the primary stock-selection factor, contributed 0.5% to returns. When seeking high-momentum stocks, we eliminate extremely expensive names from consideration based on valuation relative to sales, earnings and cash flows. Value underperformed and our overweight marginally detracted. The strategy screens out the most poorly ranked names through Earnings Quality, Financial Strength and Earnings Growth. The performance of these quality themes was positive for the quarter and aided returns.

Overall allocation and overall security selection aided returns for the quarter, particularly in the Information Technology, Health Care and Consumer Staples sectors. There were no selection effects within sectors that detracted from returns.

It is the Fund's policy to maintain currency hedges at all times to neutralize exchange-rate

movements between the U.S. dollar and the Canadian dollar. This policy had a negative effect on returns during the period.

Above all else, we believe long-term success comes from building a portfolio around proven stock-selection factors, measured using key selection criteria like quality, valuation and momentum. Based on these key themes, the strategy is very well positioned versus its benchmark and relative to the overall market. The portfolio's companies have higher momentum and lower debt ratios and they trade at deep discounts across several valuation factors. They are also less dilutive to shareholders than the average company in the index.

These combined advantages can only be delivered by a portfolio which is distinct from the benchmark. Our active share of 81% means that the portfolio continues to represent a unique take on its opportunity set versus the benchmark.



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