Growth of \$10,000

Series A



# **RBC Global Balanced Fund**

## **Investment Objective**

To provide long-term capital growth, with a secondary focus on modest income by investing primarily in Canadian, U.S. and international equities and fixedincome securities.

## **Fund Details**

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
Α	No Load	CAD	RBF553
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF839
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF739
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF124
T5	No Load	CAD	RBF537
T8	No Load	CAD	RBF597

April 1998 Inception Date 687.2 Total Fund Assets \$Mil Series A NAV \$ 16.47 Series A MER % 2.21 Benchmark 30% FTSE WGBI (CAD Hedged) 20% S&P 500 Total Return Index (CAD) 19% S&P/TSX Capped Composite Total Return Index 12% MSCI EAFE Total Return Net Index (CAD) 10% FTSE Canada All Gov't Bond Index 5% FTSE Canada All Corp Bond Index 4% MSCI EM Total Return Net Index (CAD)

Income Distribution Quarterly Capital Gains Distribution Annually

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

**Fund Category** Global Neutral Balanced

**RBC Global Asset** 

Management Company

Management Inc. Web Site www.rbcgam.com

## Portfolio Analysis as of January 31, 2019





Statistics	
P/B Ratio	2.0
P/E Ratio	15.2
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	57.7

Value Blend Growth

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	The
	Jap
	Spa
2.0	US
15.2	Tot
57.7	Tot
	Tot

Top 10 Holdings	% Assets
Japan (Government Of) 0.5% 20-09-2036	2.3
US Treasury Notes 1.75% 15-05-2023	1.9
Italy (Republic Of) 1.45% 15-09-2022	1.7
US Treasury Notes 1.5% 31-01-2022	1.5
Royal Bank of Canada	1.4
Ontario Prov Cda 2.5% 10-09-2021	1.3
The Toronto-Dominion Bank	1.3
Japanese Nikkei 225 ldx Fut 07-03-2019	1.3
Spain (Kingdom of) 1.15% 30-07-2020	1.2
US Treasury Notes 2.75% 15-02-2028	1.2
Total % of Top 10 Holdings	15.0
Total Number of Stock Holdings	979
Total Number of Bond Holdings	1,419
Total Number of Other Holdings	25
Total Number of Holdings	2,423

#### **Top 5 Sectors** % Equity Financials 23.5 Information Technology 10.6 Industrials 10.3 Health Care 9.7 Energy 9.3 % tics 9.4 O

%	Characteristic
	Avg. Term to
78.8	maturity (Yrs)
15.9	Modified Dura
0.0	(Yrs)
0.0	Yield to Matur
5.2	
0.0	
	78.8 15.9 0.0 0.0 5.2

Corp. Bonds	15.9	Modified Duration	/.b			
Other Bonds	0.0	(Yrs)				
MBS	0.0	Yield to Maturity	1.9			
Cash & Other	5.2					
ABS	0.0					
Performance An	alysis as	of January 31, 2019				
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1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
3.1	2.3	-2.1	-0.6	4.5	4.8	6.1	4.3	Fund
3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	_	Quartile
1563	1553	1507	1481	1051	773	336	_	No. of Funds in Category



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# Management Overview

## **Manager Bios**

#### Dagmara Fijalkowski

#### **RBC Global Asset Management Inc.**

As Head of Global Fixed Income and Currencies,
Dagmara leads investment teams in Toronto, London and
Minneapolis in charge of almost \$100 billion in fixed
income assets. She heads management of several bond
funds and manages foreign-exchange hedging and active
currency overlay programs across a number of funds.
Dagmara, who began her investment career in 1994,
holds an MBA from the Richard Ivey School of Business,
a Master's degree in economics from the University of
Lodz in Poland and is a CFA charterholder.

#### **Stuart Kedwell**

#### **RBC Global Asset Management Inc.**

Stuart Kedwell is Senior Vice President and Co-Head, North American Equities. He has been in the investment industry since 1997.

Performance Analysis Cont'd as of January 31, 2019											
Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Total Distributions	_	0.51	0.73	0.09	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Interest	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Dividends	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Capital Gains	_	0.51	0.73	0.09	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Return Of Capital	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 '	Yr	Ended	3 Yr	E	nded	5 Yr	En	ded	10 Yr
Best	8-2000	27	.3 3	-2006	16.4	9-2	2007	12.2	1-20	019	6.1
Worst	2-2009	-22	.7 3	-2003	-6.1	5-2	2012	-2.1	8-20	010	1.7
Average		5	.1		4.8			4.9			3.9
No. of Periods		23	88		214			190			130
Pct. Positive		71.	.8		77.6			91.1			100.0

<sup>\*</sup> Distributions are characterized into income type at year-end.

## Quarterly Commentary as at December 31, 2018

Global stock markets dropped uniformly in the fourth quarter of 2018. When the dust settled, most stock markets had experienced declines between 20% and 25% from their highs for the year. In addition to central bank tightening, geopolitical tensions concerning global trade disputes contributed to the declines. The Fund's performance was helped by holding full currency exposure to its non-Canadian stock holdings as the Canadian dollar was very weak during the period. This was more than offset by the Fund being underweight bonds as sovereign yields declined.

After rising through the first three quarters of the year, the broad-based U.S dollar index was flat during the fourth quarter. The Canadian dollar, on the other hand, declined between 5% and 10% against most major currencies. The Canadian dollar suffered from a general global aversion to risk as well as tumbling crude oil prices. The Fund no longer hedges its currency exposures to stocks, but continues to hedge its currency exposures to Fixed Income.

Global sovereign bond yields moved higher during most of the year into Q4 before declining sharply

at year-end. Concerns that inflation might break out dissipated as worries mounted over the health of the global economy. Credit markets were suffered despite a decline in sovereign yields as spreads widened during the market turmoil. The Fund maintained a modest underweight in bonds, together with a modest overweight in stocks.

The Fund took some steps to de-risk through stock and credit markets in mid-2017, when there was wariness that stocks were becoming fully valued and it became apparent that expanding valuations would continue to drive stocks higher. It took a while to see the subsequent decline in stocks, but it did happen and helped to bring their prices back to levels that offer better value. Assuming that no recession occurs, we believe that stocks have already seen most of the damage they are going to experience. As a result, we are carefully monitoring the market for entry points to buy stocks. We still feel that sovereign bond yields have structural resistance to a meaningful move higher in interest rates, especially in longer-dated maturities.



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