



# RBC Select Choices Balanced Portfolio

## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth, with a secondary focus on modest income by investing primarily in equity mutual funds for higher growth potential and fixed-income mutual funds for diversification and the potential to generate income.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF567
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF844
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF744
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF104

Inception Date	June 2000
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	305.6
Series A NAV \$	14.61
Series A MER %	2.16
Benchmark	45% FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index 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) 4% MSCI Emerging Markets Total Return Net Index (CAD)

Income Distribution	Quarterly
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

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

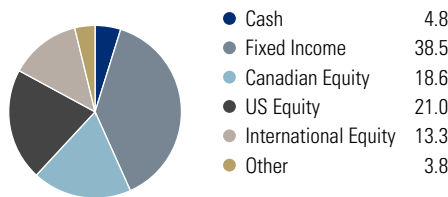
Fund Category	Global Neutral Balanced
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Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
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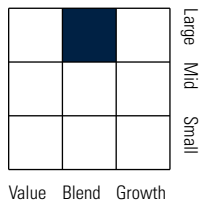
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## Portfolio Analysis as of September 30, 2018

### Asset Mix



### Equity Style



### Top 5 Sectors

Sector	% Equity
Financials	24.3
Industrials	14.2
Information Technology	11.5
Energy	10.1
Consumer Discretionary	9.4

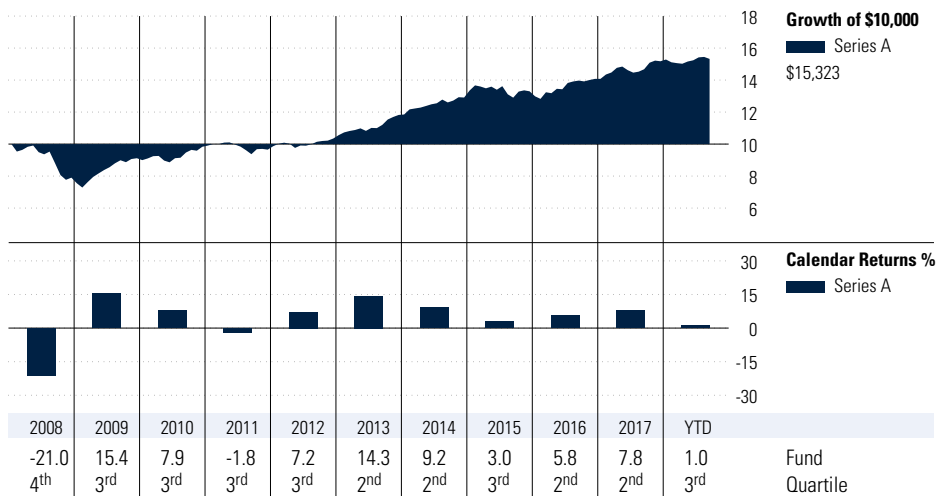
### Fixed Income Breakdown

Category	% Fixed Income
Government Bonds	38.6
Corporate Bonds	46.7
Other Bonds	2.2
Mortgage Backed Securities	1.0
ST Investments (Cash & Other)	11.0
Asset Backed Securities	0.4

### Top 25 Holdings

Holder	% Assets
RBC Global Corporate Bond Fund	9.5
RBC Bond Fund	7.9
PH&N Total Return Bond Fund	7.6
CI American Value	7.0
RBC O'Shaughnessy US Value Fund	7.0
RBC Canadian Equity Fund	6.6
Renaissance International Equity Fund	6.3
RBC Canadian Dividend Fund	5.5
Franklin Bissett Cdn Equity A	4.7
PH&N Short Term Bond & Mortgage Fund	3.7
Invesco International Growth Fund	3.6
PH&N US Multi-Style All-Cap Equity Fund	3.5
TD US Mid-Cap Growth Fund	3.5
RBC Emerging Markets Equity Fund	3.3
IA Clarington Canadian Small Cap Fund	3.1
Invesco International Growth Class	2.7
PH&N High Yield Bond Fund	2.5
RBC Global Bond Fund	2.4
BlueBay Global Monthly Income Bond Fund	2.4
BlueBay Global Inv Grade Corp Bond Fund	2.0
BlueBay Global Sovereign Bond Fund	1.5
RBC Canadian Money Market Fund	0.6
RBC Global High Yield Bond Fund	0.6
RBC Emerging Markets Dividend Fund	0.5
RBC Emerging Markets Small-Cap Eq Fund	0.5
<b>Total % of Top 25 Holdings</b>	<b>98.7</b>
<b>Total Number of Portfolio Holdings</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Total Number of Stock Holdings</b>	<b>1,209</b>
<b>Total Number of Bond Holdings</b>	<b>7,298</b>
<b>Total Number of Other Holdings</b>	<b>446</b>
<b>Total Number of Underlying Holdings</b>	<b>8,953</b>

## Performance Analysis as of September 30, 2018



Period	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
Return	-0.8	0.6	1.8	4.4	5.9	6.5	5.7	3.8	Fund
Rank	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	—	Quartile
No. of Funds	1439	1405	1400	1298	978	717	295	—	No. of Funds in Category



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Sarah Riopelle

#### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Sarah Riopelle is Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager, Investment Solutions. Sarah began her investment career in 1996. She is a member of the RBC Investment Strategy Committee and is responsible for the firm's Portfolio Solutions. Sarah has a Bachelor of Commerce in Finance and International Management from the University of Ottawa and is a CFA charter holder.

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

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Total Distributions	—	0.40	0.09	0.41	0.20	0.06	—	0.04	—	0.05	0.07
Interest	—	—	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	—	0.03	—	0.04	0.08
Dividends	—	—	0.01	0.04	0.16	0.05	—	0.01	—	0.01	—
Capital Gains	—	0.40	0.06	0.36	0.03	—	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	2-2010	25.0	5-2015	11.7	2-2014	10.8	9-2018	5.7
Worst	2-2009	-23.6	2-2009	-8.0	2-2009	-2.7	6-2010	1.3
Average		4.3		4.5		4.5		3.6
No. of Periods		208		184		160		100
Pct. Positive		74.5		82.1		87.5		100.0

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

### Quarterly Commentary as at September 30, 2018

The accelerating U.S. economy and trade were the big stories in the third quarter of 2018. Concern that Canada would be omitted from a renegotiated trade pact between the U.S. and Mexico were alleviated at the end of the period, with the announcement of an agreement. The U.S. raised pressure on China to open up its economy, but by quarter-end there was scant evidence that the conflict had done much to hinder the U.S. economic expansion.

The Fund's overweight position in equities and underweight position in fixed income had a positive impact on performance. Returns in major fixed-income markets were negative, as interest rates moved mostly higher. Japanese fixed income underperformed as the central bank allowed interest rates to fluctuate outside the narrow band that had been in effect, while European bonds were hurt by concern about Brexit and proposals to boost Italian government spending. Returns in the fixed-income segment of the portfolio were held back by the RBC Bond Fund and the Phillips, Hager

& North Total Return Bond Fund.

Global equities were mixed during the quarter, with the S&P 500 Index rising to an all-time high while many other markets posted negative returns. The performance of emerging markets was especially negative given the trade tensions and a relatively strong U.S. dollar. Returns were bolstered by the RBC O'Shaughnessy U.S. Value Fund and the CI American Value Class.

Economic growth is strong in the U.S., but many other economies are slowing. Protectionism and Chinese economic deceleration are among the risks threatening the solid, albeit moderating, growth. While we expect continued expansion, the slowdown has led us to lower our developed-world growth forecasts. Exposure to bonds was recently increased, sourced from cash. Our asset mix remains slightly underweight fixed income and overweight stocks.



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