



# RBC Global High Yield Bond Fund

## Investment Objective

To provide above-average total returns comprised of interest income and capital growth and achieve a yield advantage.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF579
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF801
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF701
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF119

Inception Date	July 2003
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	3,629.3
Series A NAV \$	10.39
Series A MER %	1.81
Benchmark	50% JPM EMBI G1b Div* 50% ICE BoA ML US HY BB-B*

Income Distribution	Quarterly
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

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

Fund Category	High Yield Fixed Income
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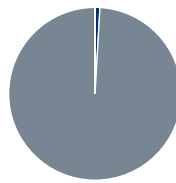
Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

## Notes

\* Hedged to \$C

## Portfolio Analysis as of April 30, 2018

### Asset Mix



	% Assets
Cash	0.9
Fixed Income	99.0
Canadian Equity	0.0
US Equity	0.0
International Equity	0.0
Other	0.0

### Fixed Income Breakdown

	% Fixed Income
Government Bonds	30.8
Corporate Bonds	69.2
Other Bonds	0.0
Mortgage Backed Securities	0.0
ST Investments (Cash & Other)	0.1
Asset Backed Securities	0.0

Bond Rating	%	Term to Maturity	%
Cash / Cash Equiv.	0.1	Under 1 year	0.4
AAA	1.8	1 - 5 Yrs	24.0
AA	0.8	5 - 10 Yrs	59.3
A	2.9	Over 10 Yrs	16.3
BBB	17.4		
Below BBB	75.1	Avg. Term to maturity (Yrs)	8.7
Mortgages	0.0	Duration (Yrs)	6.0
NR/NA	1.9	Yield to Maturity	4.8

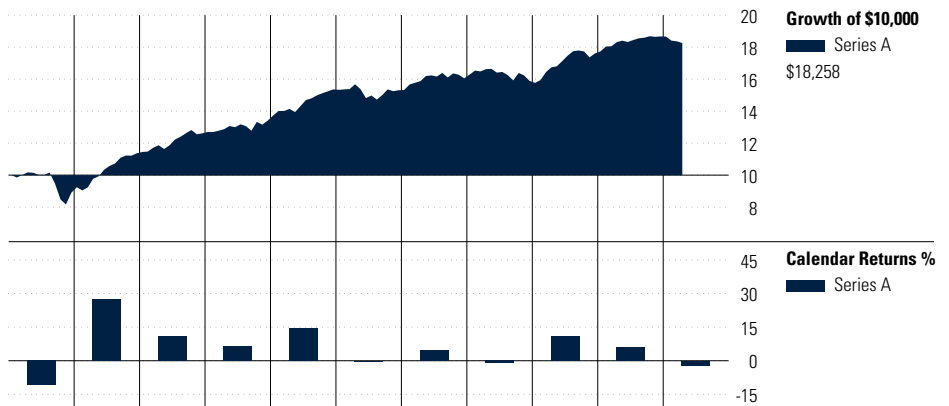
### Geographic Allocations

	% Assets
Canada	3.1
United States	46.3
International (ex-Emerging Markets)	0.8
Emerging Markets	49.8

### Top 10 Holdings

	% Assets
BlueBay Emerging Markets Corp Bond Fund	3.6
iShares iBoxx \$ High Yield Corp Bd ETF	2.4
SPDR® Blmbg Barclays High Yield Bd ETF	2.4
US Treasury Notes 2.25% 15-02-2027	1.8
The Republic of Peru 8.75% 21-11-2033	1.4
Romania (Republic Of) 6.75% 07-02-2022	0.9
Sprint Capital Corp 6.88% 15-11-2028	0.9
Cco Hldgs Cap 144A 5.75% 15-02-2026	0.9
Serbia (Republic Of) 7.25% 28-09-2021	0.9
ArcelorMittal S.A. 8% 15-10-2039	0.8
Total % of Top 10 Holdings	16.0
Total Number of Portfolio Holdings	288
Total Number of Stock Holdings	8
Total Number of Bond Holdings	2,152
Total Number of Other Holdings	41
<b>Total Number of Underlying Holdings</b>	<b>2,201</b>

## Performance Analysis as of April 30, 2018



Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	YTD	
Calendar Returns %	-10.9	27.6	11.0	6.3	14.5	-0.3	4.9	-1.0	10.8	6.0	-2.2	Fund Quartile
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	

	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
Calendar Returns %	-0.6	-2.2	-2.3	-0.3	3.2	3.1	6.0	6.0	Fund Quartile
	4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	—	Quartile
No. of Funds in Category	466	466	459	451	304	186	46	—	No. of Funds in Category



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Jane Lesslie

##### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Jane Lesslie is Senior Portfolio Manager, Global Fixed Income and Currencies. She has been in the investment industry since 1988.

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##### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Frank Gambino is Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager, Global Fixed Income and Currencies. He has been in the investment industry since 1990.

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

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Total Distributions	0.12	0.39	0.40	0.42	0.44	0.46	0.56	0.51	0.52	0.52	0.67
Interest	0.12	0.39	0.40	0.42	0.44	0.46	0.44	0.51	0.52	0.52	0.67
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.12	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	11-2009	37.4	11-2011	17.2	11-2013	13.3	5-2014	7.3
Worst	11-2008	-18.0	11-2008	-3.1	11-2008	0.3	1-2016	5.6
Average		6.4		6.3		6.6		6.5
No. of Periods		166		142		118		58
Pct. Positive		88.0		97.2		100.0		100.0

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

### Quarterly Commentary as at March 31, 2018

High-yield and emerging-market (EM) bonds got off to a rough start in 2018 as rising treasury yields and wider spreads conspired to push returns into negative territory.

A pickup in global growth, a transparent U.S. Federal Reserve and low inflation was meant to be a good recipe for continued positive momentum in high-yield and EM bonds. However, a rise in volatility from very low levels, higher treasury yields and tight spread levels all worked against both asset classes during the quarter. For EM bonds, we also saw heavy new issuance from African countries such as Senegal, Kenya, Nigeria and Egypt – countries looking to take advantage of relatively favourable financing conditions.

The Fund benefited from a lower-than-benchmark allocation to longer-maturity EM bonds, which were among the weakest performers during the

quarter. Security selection in the Latin American and African components of the portfolio also contributed positively to performance as did some small tactical currency positions.

Demand for yield and a healthy economic backdrop should continue to support high-yield and EM bonds. Given that central banks are leaning toward tighter monetary policies, we believe that high-yield and EM bonds remain attractive relative to other fixed-income assets. However, it is likely that future returns will be lower than in the recent past as possible headwinds emerge. Despite widening since the start of the year, risk premiums remain close to three-year lows and risks related to rising protectionism and populism appear to be rising. We intend to closely monitor the credit quality of the portfolio, and look to add attractively valued bonds as they become available.



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