



# RBC Global Corporate Bond Fund

## Investment Objective

To provide a high level of interest income with the potential for modest capital growth by investing primarily in global corporate bonds.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF580
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF853
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF753
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF118

Inception Date	August 2004
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	8,528.2
Series A NAV \$	9.87
Series A MER %	1.74
Benchmark	40% Barclay US Corp Bond* 20% Barclay PanEuro Agg* 15% FTSE TMX CAN All Corp Bond Index 10% JPM EMBI Gbl Div* 10% BoA ML US HY BB-B* 5% Barclay AP Corp*

Income Distribution	Quarterly
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

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

Fund Category	Global Fixed Income
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Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
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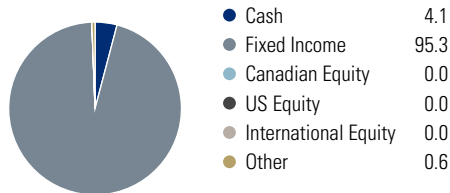
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## Notes

\* Hedged into Canadian dollars

## Portfolio Analysis as of August 31, 2017

### Asset Mix



### Fixed Income Breakdown

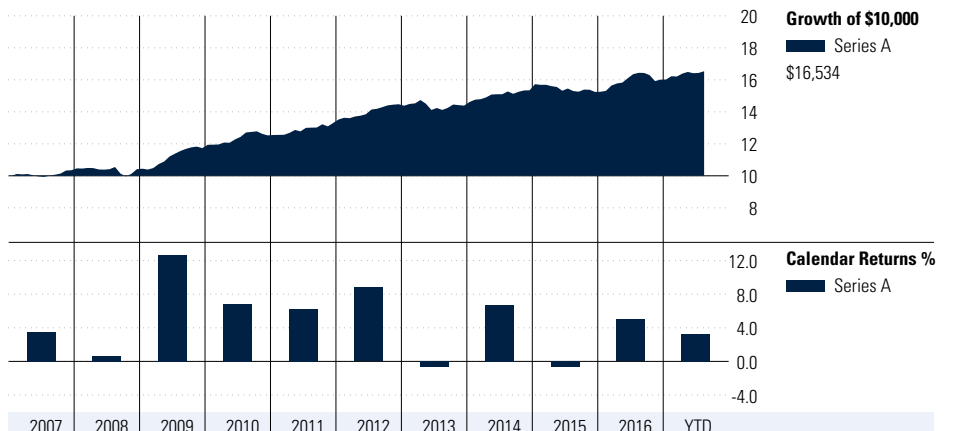
Fixed Income Category	% Fixed Income
Government Bonds	7.8
Corporate Bonds	86.7
Other Bonds	0.0
Mortgage Backed Securities	0.0
ST Investments (Cash & Other)	5.5
Asset Backed Securities	0.0

Bond Rating	%	Term to Maturity	%
Cash / Cash Equiv.	5.5	Under 1 year	8.1
AAA	1.2	1 - 5 Yrs	32.8
AA	7.1	5 - 10 Yrs	34.3
A	31.9	Over 10 Yrs	24.7
BBB	38.5		
Below BBB	15.6	Avg. Term to maturity (Yrs)	8.4
Mortgages	0.0	Duration (Yrs)	6.2
NR/NA	0.2	Yield to Maturity	3.0

### Geographic Allocations

Geographic Allocation	% Assets
Canada	15.8
United States	51.3
International (ex-Emerging Markets)	22.4
Emerging Markets	10.4

## Performance Analysis as of August 31, 2017



2007	3.5	1 <sup>st</sup>
2008	0.6	4 <sup>th</sup>
2009	12.7	1 <sup>st</sup>
2010	6.8	1 <sup>st</sup>
2011	6.2	2 <sup>nd</sup>
2012	8.8	1 <sup>st</sup>
2013	-0.6	3 <sup>rd</sup>
2014	6.7	3 <sup>rd</sup>
2015	-0.7	4 <sup>th</sup>
2016	5.0	1 <sup>st</sup>
YTD	3.3	1 <sup>st</sup>

Period	Trailing Return %	Fund Quartile	No. of Funds in Category
1 Mth	0.6	3 <sup>rd</sup>	396
3 Mth	0.3	2 <sup>nd</sup>	396
6 Mth	1.9	1 <sup>st</sup>	379
1 Yr	0.6	2 <sup>nd</sup>	352
3 Yr	2.7	3 <sup>rd</sup>	217
5 Yr	3.1	3 <sup>rd</sup>	136
10 Yr	5.1	2 <sup>nd</sup>	44
Since Incep.	4.3	—	—



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Frank Gambino

##### 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.

#### Marty Balch

##### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Marty Balch is Senior Portfolio Manager, Global Fixed Income and Currencies. He has been in the investment industry since 1991.

#### Soo Boo Cheah

##### RBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited

Soo Boo is Senior Portfolio Manager, Global Fixed Income & Currencies, at RBC Global Asset Management (UK) Ltd. He joined the firm in 2000 as a Fixed Income Analyst and has been active in all aspects of global fixed income management. Soo Boo is a member of the Global Fixed Income & Currencies Committee and the RBC Investment Strategy Committee's Fixed Income & Currencies Advisory Committee. He earned an MBA from the University of New Brunswick and is a CFA charterholder.

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

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Distributions	0.10	0.21	0.24	0.31	0.31	0.44	0.33	0.35	0.31	0.48	1.14
Interest	0.10	0.21	0.24	0.31	0.31	0.28	0.33	0.32	0.31	0.48	0.32
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	—	—	—	0.16	—	0.03	—	—	0.82
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	10-2009	18.2	10-2011	9.9	10-2013	7.7	7-2016	5.3
Worst	1-2016	-3.0	10-2008	0.8	7-2017	3.0	8-2015	4.4
Average		4.5		4.9		5.4		4.9
No. of Periods		145		121		97		37
Pct. Positive		87.6		100.0		100.0		100.0

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

### Quarterly Commentary as at June 30, 2017

In Q2, global corporate bonds recorded positive gains benefitting from an improving economic environment, healthy balance sheets and generally pro-growth monetary policies. Historically low interest rates also added to the demand for non-government bonds such as corporate fixed-income securities. Expectations of faster economic growth in Europe and Canada led to higher interest rates in those markets, and as a result their bonds underperformed relative to U.S. fixed-income securities.

The Fund's performance relative to the benchmark was aided by its better security selection in its investment-grade securities and its underweight to Asia-Pacific. Holding back the Fund's performance was a cash position and investments in U.S. high-yield and emerging market debt securities.

The portfolio manager has been reducing the overall riskiness of the Fund by replacing some of

the exposure to U.S. higher-yield and emerging markets with a combination of Canadian and European investment-grade securities and cash. As a result, the Fund has neutral exposure to Canadian and European investment-grade bonds, while U.S. investment-grade exposure is overweight. The Fund's sensitivity to changes in interest rates is similar to the market's sensitivity.

Recent shifts in the policies of some central banks have created uncertainty and could over time result in higher global interest rates. Another risk for corporate bonds is that oil prices have started to decline again after a period of stabilization. Further price declines could have a negative impact on the high-yield bond market. Global interest rates remain historically low, though the potential for higher rates may hurt fixed-income returns in 2017.



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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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