



# RBC U.S. Equity Currency Neutral Fund

## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth by investing primarily in U.S. equity investments and common stock equivalents, while minimizing the exposure to currency fluctuations between the U.S. and Canadian dollars.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF588
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF859
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF768
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF133

Inception Date	January 2006
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	38.1
Series A NAV \$	13.51
Series A MER %	1.93
Benchmark	S&P 500 Total Return Index (US\$)

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

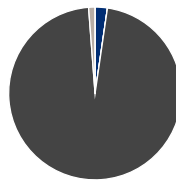
Sales Status	Open
Min. Investment \$	500
Subsequent Investment \$	25

Fund Category	US Equity
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Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

## Portfolio Analysis as of August 31, 2017

### Asset Mix

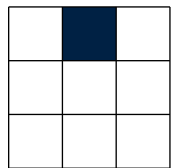


	% Assets
Cash	2.3
Fixed Income	0.0
Canadian Equity	0.0
US Equity	96.6
International Equity	1.2
Other	0.0

### Top 10 Holdings

	% Assets
Apple Inc	4.1
Microsoft Corp	3.0
Alphabet Inc A	2.6
Johnson & Johnson	2.1
Chevron Corp	2.1
Citigroup Inc	2.0
Amazon.com Inc	2.0
JPMorgan Chase & Co	2.0
UnitedHealth Group Inc	1.8
Facebook Inc A	1.7
Total % of Top 10 Holdings	23.3
Total Number of Stock Holdings	2,350
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	9
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>2,359</b>

### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

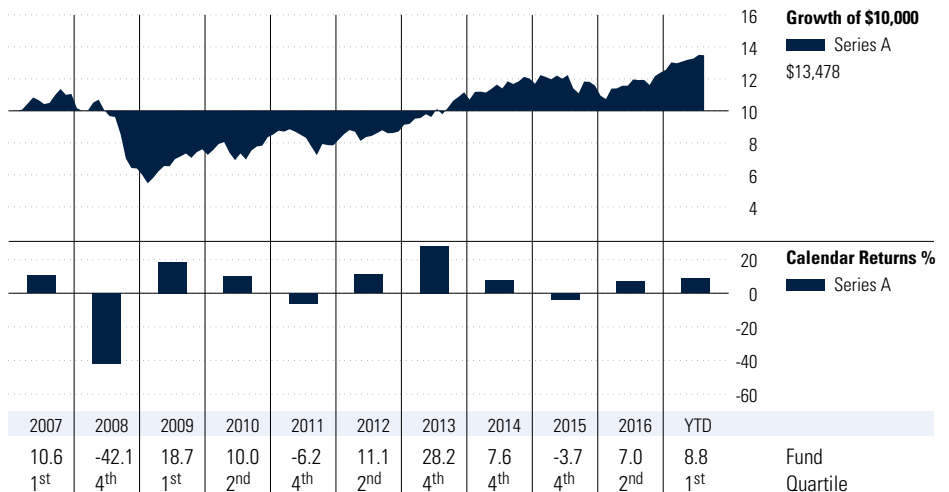
### Equity Statistics

P/B Ratio	2.8
P/E Ratio	20.6
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	121.5

### Global Equity Sectors

	% Equity
Information Technology	23.6
Financials	14.8
Health Care	14.3
Consumer Discretionary	12.5
Industrials	9.6
Consumer Staples	7.6
Energy	6.1
Utilities	3.9
Real Estate	3.4
Telecommunication Services	2.2
Materials	2.0
Unclassified	0.0

## Performance Analysis as of August 31, 2017



1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
-0.1	2.1	3.4	13.1	4.4	9.4	2.5	3.2	Fund
3rd	1st	1st	1st	4th	4th	4th	—	Quartile
1387	1379	1344	1282	866	518	228	—	No. of Funds in Category



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Brad Willock

#### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Brad Willock joined RBC in May 1996 and RBC Global Asset Management in July 2002. In his current role, he is responsible for core and income-oriented U.S. equity mandates. Brad has a Bachelor of Commerce and a Bachelor of Science, 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	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.80
Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0.80
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	2-2010	38.1	9-2014	17.3	2-2014	15.4	2-2017	2.7
Worst	2-2009	-45.3	2-2009	-16.6	5-2012	-5.6	2-2016	1.3
Average		4.3		3.8		5.2		2.1
No. of Periods		128		104		80		20
Pct. Positive		68.8		68.3		62.5		100.0

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

### Quarterly Commentary as at June 30, 2017

The U.S. stock market continued to move higher in Q2, extending the rally that began in early 2016. The quarter featured some deterioration in the economic data in the U.S. which led to lower interest rates, flatter yield curves, a drop in oil prices and a decline in the U.S. dollar. Despite the weaker than expected economic data, corporate earnings results came in ahead of expectations with Q1 earnings rising over 14% versus a year ago. The growth rate of the aggregate dividend for the S&P 500 was 7.4%, a very solid result.

Telecommunication Services was the worst performing sector during the period as competitive pressures weighed on the results of all the carriers. Energy was the second worst sector due to continued weakness in the oil price. Investor sentiment toward the group is brutal as OPEC's production cut appears to be ineffective and the productivity improvements of U.S. shale producers continue to surprise on the upside. An overweight

in Energy detracted from performance, however it was partially offset by overweight positions in Health Care, Industrials and Financials, the top three performers during the quarter.

In our view, recent economic data suggests the global economy is still expanding, slowly and from a low level. Earnings growth turned positive in Q3 last year and we expect further earnings improvements to drive markets higher in 2017. If the Trump administration enacts protectionist trade policies, we would expect corporate earnings to weaken and the stock market to come under pressure. Prospects for major tax reform and a huge infrastructure bill seem remote so we are not factoring these outcomes into our base case. We expect significant regulatory changes, particularly in the Energy and Financials sectors, and cash repatriation to provide support for growth in 2018.



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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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