

RBC Canadian Short-Term Income Fund

Investment Objective

To provide a competitive level of monthly income by investing primarily in short-term, high-quality fixedincome securities issued or guaranteed by Canadian federal, provincial or municipal governments and corporations.

Fund Details

| Series | Load Structure | Currency | Fund Code |
|--------|----------------|----------|-----------|
| Α | No Load | CAD | RBF264 |
| Adv | Deferred Sales | CAD | RBF851 |
| Adv | Front End | CAD | RBF751 |
| Adv | Low Load | CAD | RBF113 |

| January 1992 5,332.0 10.69 1.10 1.05 FTSE TMX Canada Short Term Overall Bond Index |
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| Monthly Annually |
| Open 500 25 |
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| Fund Category | Canadian Short Term Fixed Income |
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Notes

The fund's investment objective changed June 28, 2002.

Portfolio Analysis as of March 31, 2017



| Fixed Income Breakdown | % Fixed Income |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Government Bonds | 55.1 |
| Corporate Bonds | 42.2 |
| Other Bonds | 0.0 |
| Mortgage Backed Securities | 0.0 |
| ST Investments (Cash & Other) | 2.7 |
| Asset Backed Securities | 0.0 |
| | |

| Bond Rating | % | Term to Maturity | % |
|--------------------|------|-------------------|------|
| Cash / Cash Equiv. | 2.7 | Under 1 year | 3.2 |
| AAA | 30.6 | 1 - 5 Yrs | 87.7 |
| AA | 39.4 | 5 - 10 Yrs | 9.0 |
| Α | 17.3 | Over 10 Yrs | 0.0 |
| BBB | 9.9 | | |
| Below BBB | 0.0 | Avg. Term to | 3.0 |
| Mortgages | 0.0 | maturity (Yrs) | |
| NR/NA | 0.0 | Duration (Yrs) | 2.8 |
| | | Yield to Maturity | 1.3 |
| | | | |

| Geographic Allocations | % Assets |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Canada | 99.8 |
| United States | 0.2 |
| International (ex-Emerging Markets) | 0.0 |
| Emerging Markets | 0.0 |





45

No. of Funds in Category

122

216

208

221

216



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Management Overview

Manager Bios

Walter Posiewko

RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Walter Posiewko is Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager, Global Fixed Income and Money Markets. He has been in the investment industry since 1985.

| Performance Analysis Cont'd as of March 31, 2017 | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------|----------|---------|--------|-------|------|-------|------|------|-------|------|
| Distributions (\$)/Unit | YTD* | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 | 2010 | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 |
| Total Distributions | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.18 | 0.19 | 0.20 | 0.25 | 0.28 | 0.30 | 0.33 | 0.38 | 0.34 |
| Interest | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.18 | 0.19 | 0.20 | 0.25 | 0.28 | 0.30 | 0.33 | 0.38 | 0.34 |
| Dividends | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ |
| Capital Gains | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | | - — | _ | _ | _ | _ |
| Return Of Capital | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ |
| Best/Worst Periods % | Ended | 1 Y | /r | Ended | 3 Yr | · E | nded | 5 Yr | En | ded | 10 Y |
| Best | 1-1994 | 13. | 9 6 | 6-1997 | 8.8 | 3- | 1997 | 8.6 | 3-20 | 002 | 6.4 |
| Worst | 1-1995 | -0. | 7 1 | -2017 | 1.0 | 1-2 | 2017 | 1.2 | 2-20 | 017 | 2.4 |
| Average | | 4. | 0 | | 4.0 | | | 3.9 | | | 3.9 |
| No. of Periods | | 28 | 9 | | 265 | | | 241 | | | 181 |
| Pct. Positive | | 98.6 | | 100.0 | 100.0 | | 100.0 | | | 100.0 | |
| * Distributions are shared | torized into | inaama t | no ot u | | | | | | | | |

^{*} Distributions are characterized into income type at year-end.

Quarterly Commentary as at March 31, 2017

Canadian short-term bond yields ended the quarter essentially unchanged, but not before experiencing significant intra-quarter volatility; rising substantially in sympathy with U.S. bonds in the wake of another U.S. rate hike, and then falling by quarter end. The subsequent fall in yields occurred due to growing uncertainty regarding the timing and magnitude of promised U.S. fiscal stimulus.

In Canada, economic growth recovered nicely over the quarter, but the Bank of Canada (BoC) considered it temporary. Citing still sizeable slack in the economy, the BoC saw no reason to follow the Federal Reserve's (Fed's) tightening action and left policy unchanged. In the U.S., responding to evidence of growing economic momentum, the Fed hiked by another 0.25%, its second move in three months, and suggested more hikes may be appropriate should the Fed's targeted inflation and labor metrics be met.

The Fund manager cut the Fund's exposure to

corporate bonds further during the quarter as valuations hit new heights. Corporate bonds continued to rise during the quarter, evidenced by spreads tightening further. In keeping with a strategy of taking profits when valuations are stretched, the portfolio manager cut the Fund's corporate allocation by another 5% and reinvested the proceeds in government bonds.

Given the BOC's propensity to err on the side of caution, policy inaction is expected to continue for the remainder of the year. While the Fed is widely expected to continue tightening over the medium term, the extent of such action will depend on how successfully U.S. stimulative fiscal policy will be executed. We anticipate Canadian government yields will climb slower than their U.S. counterparts and corporate bonds will continue to serve as a buffer against this. As was done this quarter, corporate bonds will be carefully monitored and may be cut back further if valuations push even higher



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MER (%) for RBC Corporate Class Funds is based on actual expenses for the half-year period, April 1, 2016 to September 30, 2016, expressed on an annualized basis.

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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