



# RBC Canadian Dividend Fund

## Investment Objective

To achieve long-term total returns consisting of regular dividend income, which benefits from the preferential tax treatment given to dividend income, and modest long-term capital growth. The fund invests primarily in common and preferred shares of major Canadian companies with above average dividend yields.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF266
A	No Load	USD	RBF405
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF759
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF107
Adv	Low Load	USD	RBF4405
Adv T5	Front End	CAD	RBF777
Adv T5	Low Load	CAD	RBF071
T5	No Load	CAD	RBF538
T8	No Load	CAD	RBF598

Inception Date	January 1993
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	18,829.3
Series A NAV \$	72.96
Series A MER %	1.76
Benchmark	S&P/TSX Capped Composite Total Return Index

Income Distribution	Quarterly
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

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

Fund Category	Canadian Dividend and Income Equity
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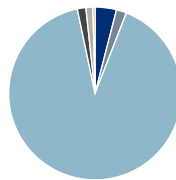
Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

## Notes

Performance Analysis is in CAD and for CAD series A fund (RBF266).

## Portfolio Analysis as of December 31, 2017

### Asset Mix

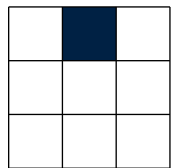


	% Assets
Cash	4.0
Fixed Income	1.9
Canadian Equity	90.8
US Equity	1.6
International Equity	1.3
Other	0.4

### Top 25 Holdings

	% Assets
Royal Bank of Canada	8.2
The Toronto-Dominion Bank	7.2
Bank of Nova Scotia	6.1
Canadian National Railway Co	4.8
Brookfield Asset Management Inc Class A	4.2
Bank of Montreal	3.8
CIBC	3.2
Enbridge Inc	3.1
TransCanada Corp	2.9
Manulife Financial Corp	2.8
Canadian Natural Resources Ltd	2.7
Suncor Energy Inc	2.5
Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd	2.0
TELUS Corp	1.8
Loblaw Companies Ltd	1.7
Sun Life Financial Inc	1.7
PrairieSky Royalty Ltd	1.5
Power Corporation of Canada	1.5
Enbridge Inc., Restricted 30-04-2018	1.4
BCE Inc	1.3
Imperial Oil Ltd	1.3
Thomson Reuters Corp	1.3
Pembina Pipeline Corp	1.2
Rogers Communications Inc Class B	1.2
Fortis Inc	1.2
Total % of Top 25 Holdings	70.6
Total Number of Stock Holdings	82
Total Number of Bond Holdings	2
Total Number of Other Holdings	9
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>93</b>

### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

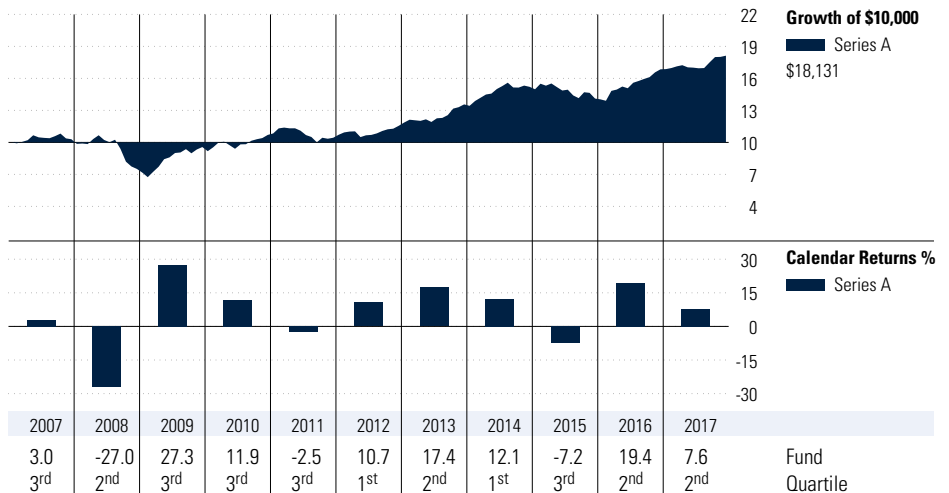
### Equity Statistics

P/B Ratio	1.9
P/E Ratio	16.2
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	40.2

### Global Equity Sectors

	% Equity
Financials	46.7
Energy	19.6
Industrials	8.9
Utilities	4.9
Telecommunication Services	4.7
Consumer Staples	4.2
Materials	3.5
Consumer Discretionary	3.5
Real Estate	3.0
Health Care	0.7
Information Technology	0.2
Unclassified	0.0

## Performance Analysis as of December 31, 2017



1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trading Return %
0.6	3.6	6.6	7.6	6.0	9.4	5.8	10.5	Fund
1 <sup>st</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	—	Quartile
553	551	539	513	399	309	154	—	No. of Funds in Category



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Stuart Kedwell

##### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Stuart Kedwell is Senior Vice President and Co-Head, North American Equities. He has been in the investment industry since 1997.

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#### Sean McCurley

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Sean McCurley is an Associate Portfolio Manager and North American equities research analyst. Sean holds a Bachelor of Arts from McGill University and MBA from Rotman School of Management, and is a CFA charterholder.

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Jonathan Millman is an Associate Portfolio Manager and Analyst for the North American equities team, responsible for the Consumer Discretionary, Consumer Staples, Health Care and Utilities sectors. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Wilfrid Laurier University and is a CFA charterholder.

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

Distributions (\$)/Unit	2017*	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Distributions	0.71	0.86	0.68	1.32	0.60	0.65	0.54	0.66	0.66	0.47	2.14
Interest	0.71	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	0.86	0.68	0.60	0.60	0.55	0.54	0.66	0.66	0.47	0.21
Capital Gains	—	—	—	0.72	—	0.10	—	—	—	—	1.93
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	7-1997	51.3	3-1998	29.9	3-1998	21.1	3-2006	15.9
Worst	2-2009	-31.9	2-2009	-9.1	5-2012	-0.3	2-2016	4.5
Average		11.1		11.1		10.9		10.2
No. of Periods		288		264		240		180
Pct. Positive		79.2		91.7		99.6		100.0

\* Final distribution attribution (interest, dividends, capital gains and return of capital) for 2017 will be reflected with January month-end profiles.

### Quarterly Commentary as at December 31, 2017

The Canadian stock market lagged most other major equity markets during 2017. The index was held back by the Energy sector, appreciation in the Canadian dollar and concern that the economy lacks a growth driver to offset a potential slowing of the housing market. Furthermore, market sentiment continues to be hurt by ongoing uncertainty regarding the NAFTA.

The Bank of Canada surprised markets this year by shifting to a hawkish stance, hiking rates twice on the back of strong economic growth. However, the Canadian economy is not without risks. In addition to housing concerns, items that may impact Canada's competitiveness include protectionism, increasing taxes, tougher labour laws, stricter environmental standards, rising electricity costs and access to the global energy markets.

During the quarter, the Fund's relative performance was boosted by the Energy and Utilities sectors, while Information Technology was a drag.

In Energy, security selection, primarily the overweight position in Enbridge, aided returns. Following Enbridge's merger with Spectra Energy early in 2017, a number of concerns persisted regarding the company's balance sheet. During Q4, the company developed a plan to address these concerns, relieving the overhang on the stock.

The Utilities sector benefitted from the exclusion of Canadian Utilities and Just Energy Group as both stocks declined.

Conversely, the exclusion of Constellation Software and Open Text weighed on returns in the Information Technology sector.

Global stock markets continue to be supported by the synchronized global expansion and better-than-expected corporate profit growth around the world, but the recent rally has pushed equities closer to fair value. Without support from rising valuations, further gains in stocks will likely be paced by corporate profit growth.



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