



# RBC Canadian Equity Fund

## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth by investing primarily in equity securities of major Canadian companies in order to provide broad exposure to economic growth opportunities in Canada.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF269
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF847
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF747
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF127
T5	No Load	CAD	RBF434

Inception Date	April 1967
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	2,477.7
Series A NAV \$	25.11
Series A MER %	1.97
Series A Adjusted MER %	1.89

Benchmark	S&P/TSX Capped Composite Total Return Index
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Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

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

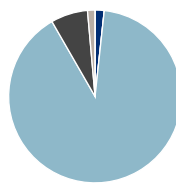
Fund Category	Canadian Equity
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Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
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Web Site	www.rbcgam.com
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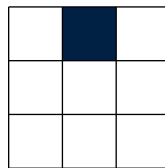
## Portfolio Analysis as of March 31, 2017

### Asset Mix



	% Assets
Cash	1.7
Fixed Income	0.0
Canadian Equity	89.9
US Equity	6.9
International Equity	1.4
Other	0.0

### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

### Equity Statistics

P/B Ratio	1.8
P/E Ratio	17.9
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	26.5

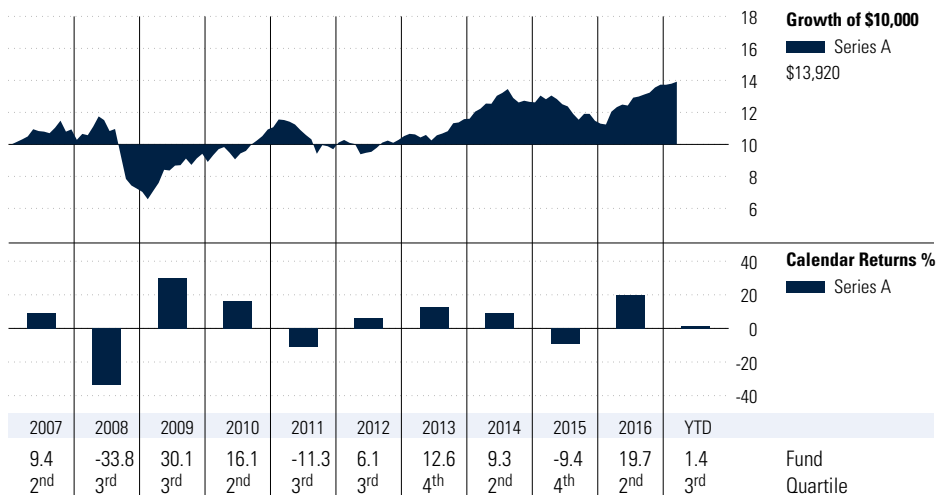
### Global Equity Sectors

	% Equity
Financials	31.8
Energy	22.5
Materials	9.0
Industrials	8.7
Consumer Staples	5.5
Consumer Discretionary	5.4
Utilities	4.7
Real Estate	3.8
Telecommunication Services	3.7
Information Technology	3.1
Health Care	1.7
Unclassified	0.0

### Top 25 Holdings

	% Assets
Royal Bank of Canada	6.2
Bank of Nova Scotia	4.9
Enbridge Inc	4.8
The Toronto-Dominion Bank	4.5
Suncor Energy Inc	3.9
Brookfield Asset Management Inc Class A	3.1
Canadian Natural Resources Ltd	3.1
Manulife Financial Corp	2.7
Canadian National Railway Co	2.6
Bank of Montreal	2.4
Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc B	2.1
BCE Inc	2.1
Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd	1.9
Sun Life Financial Inc	1.8
TransCanada Corp	1.8
CGI Group Inc A	1.5
Cenovus Energy Inc	1.4
Loblaw Companies Ltd	1.3
Fortis Inc	1.2
Brookfield Property Partners LP	1.2
Potash Corp of Saskatchewan Inc	1.1
Emera Inc	1.0
Magna International Inc Class A	1.0
Keyera Corp	1.0
TELUS Corp	0.9
Total % of Top 25 Holdings	59.5
Total Number of Stock Holdings	195
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	5
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>200</b>

## Performance Analysis as of March 31, 2017



	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
Fund	0.9	1.4	6.1	15.6	4.4	6.6	3.0	8.8	Fund
Quartile	4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	—	Quartile
No. of Funds in Category	624	616	604	535	414	301	138	—	No. of Funds in Category



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Jennifer McClelland

#### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Jennifer McClelland is Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager, Canadian Equities. Jennifer began her investment career in 1993. She is a member of the North American equity team and is responsible for core and income-oriented Canadian equity mandates. Jennifer has a Bachelor Degree in Economics from the University of Western Ontario and is a CFA charterholder.

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

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Distributions	—	0.14	0.34	3.34	0.16	0.05	1.18	1.42	0.89	—	2.37
Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	0.14	0.11	0.08	0.16	0.05	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	0.23	3.26	—	—	1.18	1.42	0.89	—	2.37
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	8-2000	42.1	3-2006	24.5	10-2007	19.2	8-2008	11.5
Worst	2-2009	-38.3	2-2009	-9.4	5-2012	-3.0	1-2016	2.2
Average		9.2		8.4		8.2		7.7
No. of Periods		289		265		241		181
Pct. Positive		73.7		84.9		92.1		100.0

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

### Quarterly Commentary as at March 31, 2017

The S&P/TSX Composite Index hit an all-time high in the most recent quarter.

The Fund lagged the index in general, primarily due to the underweight positioning in the Materials sector, particularly in respect to mining and gold companies as they performed well during the quarter.

The top performing sector was Utilities as the market experienced a rotation from cyclical securities into more traditionally defensive areas. The Fund benefitted from an overweight in the sector and strong security selection. An overweight position in Algonquin Power benefitted the Fund as the company completed its acquisition of Empire District Electric and boosted its dividend.

Energy dragged down index performance due to weak oil prices. Concern about OPEC compliance discipline and rising rig counts in the U.S. contributed to the weakness. Seasonally weaker demand also did not help to ease investor uneasiness in a volatile sector. Security selection within the Energy sector benefitted the Portfolio

with overweight positions in defensive mid-stream pipeline companies, where much of the weakness came from the oil companies.

Consumer Discretionary saw strong performance during the quarter. The Fund lagged the sector due to security selection, largely through the exclusion of Canadian Tire. We currently find the company to be relatively expensive.

Leading economic indicators are at their best levels in several years, economic surprises have been overwhelmingly positive and corporate earnings continue to recover from their prior stumbles. Taken together, global economic signals remain quite strong by post-crisis standards.

For the S&P/TSX Composite Index, estimates for 2017 earnings are now about \$914 and the early read on 2018 is near \$1,040. These forecasts are a considerable uptick versus 2016 and reflect returns on equity for the index that are consistent with the longer-term average.



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MER (%) for RBC Funds and PH&N Funds is based on actual expenses for the full-year period, January 1 to December 31, 2016, expressed on an annualized basis.

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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.

Series H and Series I are not available for purchase by new investors. Existing investors who hold Series H or Series I units can continue to make additional investments into the same series of the funds they hold.

PH&N Funds Series A formerly known as Series C.

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