



# 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	2,493.2
Series A NAV \$	24.48
Series A MER %	1.89
Benchmark	S&P/TSX Capped Composite Total Return Index

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

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

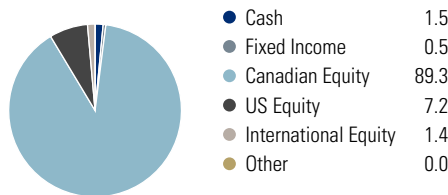
Fund Category	Canadian Equity
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Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
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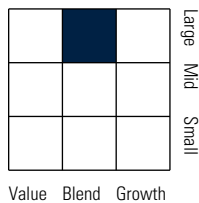
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## Portfolio Analysis as of December 31, 2017

### Asset Mix



### Equity Style



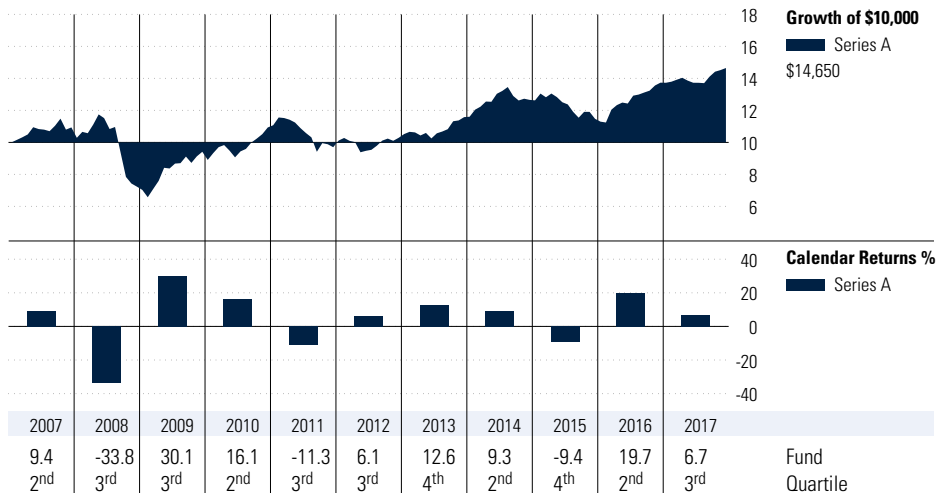
### Global Equity Sectors

Sector	% Equity
Financials	30.5
Energy	21.6
Materials	10.3
Industrials	9.6
Utilities	5.3
Consumer Staples	4.7
Real Estate	4.5
Consumer Discretionary	4.2
Telecommunication Services	3.5
Information Technology	3.5
Health Care	2.3
Unclassified	0.0

### Top 25 Holdings

Company	% Assets
Royal Bank of Canada	6.0
The Toronto-Dominion Bank	5.3
Enbridge Inc	4.4
Bank of Nova Scotia	3.8
Canadian National Railway Co	3.3
Suncor Energy Inc	3.2
Manulife Financial Corp	2.9
Canadian Natural Resources Ltd	2.7
Brookfield Asset Management Inc Class A	2.4
Bank of Montreal	2.4
Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc B	2.2
CIBC	2.1
Sun Life Financial Inc	2.0
TransCanada Corp	2.0
BCE Inc	1.9
Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd	1.8
Nutrien Ltd	1.4
SNC-Lavalin Group Inc	1.4
CGI Group Inc A	1.3
Keyera Corp	1.2
Agrium Inc	1.1
Loblaw Companies Ltd	1.0
Pembina Pipeline Corp	1.0
Brookfield Property Partners LP	1.0
UnitedHealth Group Inc	1.0
Total % of Top 25 Holdings	59.0
Total Number of Stock Holdings	147
Total Number of Bond Holdings	2
Total Number of Other Holdings	3
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>152</b>

## 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 %
0.9	3.8	6.7	6.7	5.0	7.3	3.0	8.8	Fund
2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	—	Quartile
602	595	591	572	407	314	143	—	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 December 31, 2017

Distributions (\$)/Unit	2017*	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Distributions	1.95	0.14	0.34	3.34	0.16	0.05	1.18	1.42	0.89	—	2.37
Interest	0.09	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	0.14	0.11	0.08	0.16	0.05	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	1.86	—	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		8.7		8.1		7.8		7.3
No. of Periods		289		265		241		181
Pct. Positive		73.7		84.9		92.1		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 Materials and Consumer Staples sectors, while Health Care was a drag.

In the Materials sector, the Fund benefitted from

underweight exposure to the larger gold stocks, which struggled during the quarter.

Security selection along with an underweight allocation contributed to returns in the Consumer Staples sector. In particular, an overweight allocation to Alimentation Couche-Tard aided returns as the company completed its purchase of Holiday Station Stores.

The Health Care sector experienced a strong shift, fueled in by a rally from marijuana producers and Valeant Pharmaceuticals. The lack of exposure to these companies weighed on relative returns in the 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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