



# RBC Bond Fund

## Investment Objective

To provide above average, long-term total returns consisting of interest income and moderate capital growth by investing primarily in high-quality fixed income securities issued by Canadian governments and corporations.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF270
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF850
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF750
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF114

Inception Date	July 1966
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	16,823.2
Series A NAV \$	6.61
Series A MER %	1.16
Series A Adjusted MER %	1.11
Benchmark	FTSE TMX Canada Universe Bond Index

Income Distribution	Quarterly
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

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

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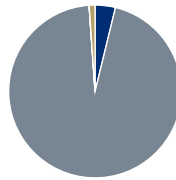
Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

## Notes

Please note the "Since Inception" rate of return includes data from October 1972 only.

## Portfolio Analysis as of March 31, 2017

### Asset Mix



	% Assets
Cash	3.8
Fixed Income	95.1
Canadian Equity	0.0
US Equity	0.0
International Equity	0.0
Other	1.1

### Fixed Income Breakdown

	% Fixed Income
Government Bonds	48.7
Corporate Bonds	46.9
Other Bonds	0.0
Mortgage Backed Securities	0.0
ST Investments (Cash & Other)	4.4
Asset Backed Securities	0.0

Bond Rating	%	Term to Maturity	%
Cash / Cash Equiv.	4.4	Under 1 year	2.0
AAA	10.8	1 - 5 Yrs	38.5
AA	42.8	5 - 10 Yrs	25.8
A	21.7	Over 10 Yrs	33.7
BBB	15.5		
Below BBB	4.4	Avg. Term to maturity (Yrs)	10.5
Mortgages	0.0	Duration (Yrs)	7.7
NR/NA	0.4	Yield to Maturity	2.5

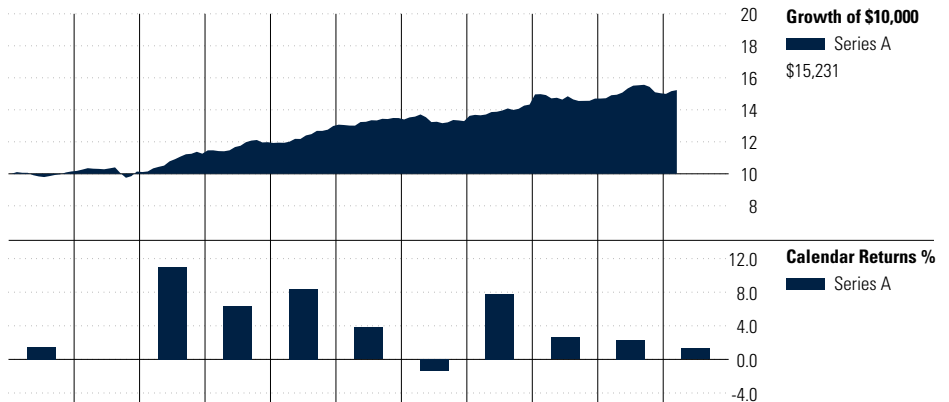
### Geographic Allocations

	% Assets
Canada	94.7
United States	2.8
International (ex-Emerging Markets)	0.0
Emerging Markets	2.4

### Top 25 Holdings

	% Assets
Ontario Prov Cda 3.45% 02-06-2045	3.5
Ontario Prov Cda 2.9% 02-12-2046	3.1
Ontario Prov Cda 3.5% 02-06-2043	2.6
Canada Govt 1.5% 01-06-2026	2.3
Ontario Prov Cda 4.6% 02-06-2039	2.1
Ontario Prov Cda 4.65% 02-06-2041	1.9
Ontario Prov Cda 2.85% 02-06-2023	1.8
Ontario Prov Cda 4% 02-06-2021	1.8
Ontario Prov Cda 3.5% 02-06-2024	1.7
Prov Of Quebec 3% 01-09-2023	1.5
Ontario Prov Cda 2.6% 02-06-2025	1.5
Prov Of Quebec 3.75% 01-09-2024	1.2
Quebec Prov Medium Term Nt 5% 01-12-2041	1.1
Ontario Prov Cda 3.15% 02-06-2022	1.0
Ontario Prov Cda 6.5% 08-03-2029	1.0
Canada Hsg Tr No 1 2.35% 15-09-2023	1.0
Canadian 10-Year Bond Fut 21-06-2017	1.0
Ontario Prov Cda 2.4% 02-06-2026	1.0
Ontario Prov Cda 4.7% 02-06-2037	1.0
Royal Bank Of Canada 2.03% 15-03-2021	0.9
Province Of Quebec 4.25% 01-12-2043	0.9
Toronto Dominion Bank 2.447% 02-04-2019	0.8
Quebec Prov Cda 5% 01-12-2038	0.8
Ontario Prov Cda 5.6% 02-06-2035	0.8
Hydro One 5.36% 20-05-2036	0.7
<b>Total % of Top 25 Holdings</b>	<b>36.8</b>
Total Number of Stock Holdings	2
Total Number of Bond Holdings	1,910
Total Number of Other Holdings	27
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>1,939</b>

## Performance Analysis as of March 31, 2017



Year	Return %	Rank
2007	1.5	4 <sup>th</sup>
2008	0.0	4 <sup>th</sup>
2009	11.0	1 <sup>st</sup>
2010	6.4	2 <sup>nd</sup>
2011	8.4	1 <sup>st</sup>
2012	3.8	2 <sup>nd</sup>
2013	-1.4	2 <sup>nd</sup>
2014	7.8	2 <sup>nd</sup>
2015	2.6	2 <sup>nd</sup>
2016	2.3	2 <sup>nd</sup>
YTD	1.3	2 <sup>nd</sup>

Period	Return %	Rank	No. of Funds in Category
1 Mth	0.4	1 <sup>st</sup>	658
3 Mth	1.3	2 <sup>nd</sup>	652
6 Mth	-2.1	3 <sup>rd</sup>	643
1 Yr	2.1	2 <sup>nd</sup>	599
3 Yr	3.7	1 <sup>st</sup>	481
5 Yr	3.2	2 <sup>nd</sup>	339
10 Yr	4.2	2 <sup>nd</sup>	131
Since Incep.	7.5	—	—



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Dagmara Fijalkowski

#### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Dagmara is Sr. Vice President & Sr. Portfolio Manager, and Head, Global Fixed Income & Currencies at RBC Global Asset Management. She leads a team of over 20 professionals with more than \$50 billion in assets under management. Dagmara also co-manages several of the firms' bond funds and manages foreign exchange hedging and active currency management programs. She has an MBA from the Richard Ivey School of Business and a Master's in economics from the University of Lodz, and is a CFA charterholder.

#### RBC GAM Gbl Fix Inc & Currencies Cmttee

Chaired by Dagmara Fijalkowski, Senior Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager, Head, Global Fixed Income and Currencies. Dagmara has been in the investment industry since 1994.

### 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	0.20	0.15	0.15	0.19	0.21	0.17	0.21	0.26	0.26	0.26
Interest	0.04	0.14	0.14	0.15	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.21	0.26	0.26	0.24
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	0.06	0.00	—	0.01	0.04	—	—	—	—	0.03
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	1-1996	20.7	1-1998	14.2	11-1997	10.3	3-2002	7.5
Worst	1-1995	-8.8	10-2008	0.7	2-2009	2.7	10-2008	3.2
Average		5.7		5.6		5.6		5.2
No. of Periods		289		265		241		181
Pct. Positive		87.2		100.0		100.0		100.0

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

### Quarterly Commentary as at March 31, 2017

The Fund's credit allocation continued to contribute strongly to performance. Investors' appetite for non-government bonds grew due to the surge in optimism about global economic growth. EM debts delivered 3.9% return in Q1, and higher-risk corporate sector returned 2.3%. The Fund benefited from the higher income provided by these bonds, and from capital appreciation as the yield gap between non-government bonds and government bonds narrowed. The Fund's overweight position in shorter-maturity Canadian corporates contributed to performance too. In Q1, as credit has been extending gains, we reduced holdings as price targets have been reached and potential for further gains has been diminishing.

In the government bond sector, yields settled down after the post-election volatility of the previous quarter. The 10-year bond yields in Canada and the U.S. finished at levels they started. Bond investors stayed calm after the Fed

delivered the much anticipated hike in policy rates in March. Government of Canada bonds delivered 0.6% gains in Q1.

Going forward, the portfolio manager expects the volatility of bonds to pick up in the coming quarters. We expect the BoC to keep its benchmark interest rate unchanged this year. Canada's red hot housing and high household debts pose the biggest risks to the country's economy. The Fed expects to continue raising policy rates and could reduce its balance sheet later this year adding upward pressure to global bond yields. Global bond yields could also face renewed upward pressures from the eventual arrival of U.S. fiscal stimulus, tax and regulatory reforms. We will continue to evaluate opportunities according to their future return potential and continued strength of credit may lead to further reduction of overall portfolio risk over the next quarter.



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