



# RBC U.S. Mid-Cap Growth Equity Fund (US\$)

## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth through investment primarily in U.S. mid-capitalized equity investments and common stock equivalents.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	USD	RBF337

Inception Date	March 1992
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	744.9
Series A NAV \$	23.53
Series A MER %	2.10
Benchmark	Russell Midcap Growth Index (US\$)

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

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

Fund Category	US Small/Mid Cap Equity
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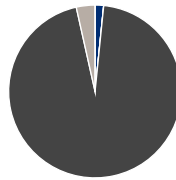
Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

## Notes

This is a continuing fund resulting from a merger effective June 27, 2014.

## Portfolio Analysis as of September 30, 2017

### Asset Mix

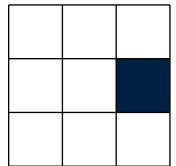


	% Assets
Cash	1.6
Fixed Income	0.0
Canadian Equity	0.0
US Equity	94.9
International Equity	3.5
Other	0.0

### Top 25 Holdings

	% Assets
Autodesk Inc	2.3
MercadoLibre Inc	2.2
Abiomed Inc	2.2
Synopsys Inc	1.9
Mettler-Toledo International Inc	1.8
Henry Schein Inc	1.8
Waste Connections Inc	1.7
Roper Technologies Inc	1.7
AptarGroup Inc	1.7
Dollar Tree Inc	1.7
Red Hat Inc	1.6
Raymond James Financial Inc	1.6
Waters Corp	1.6
Fidelity National Information Serv Inc	1.5
The Cooper Companies Inc	1.5
WEX Inc	1.5
Ansys Inc	1.5
Woodward Inc	1.5
Align Technology Inc	1.5
IPG Photonics Corp	1.4
Aspen Technology Inc	1.4
Ross Stores Inc	1.4
Brown & Brown Inc	1.4
Bright Horizons Family Solutions Inc	1.4
Affiliated Managers Group Inc	1.3
Total % of Top 25 Holdings	41.2
Total Number of Stock Holdings	81
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	1
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>82</b>

### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

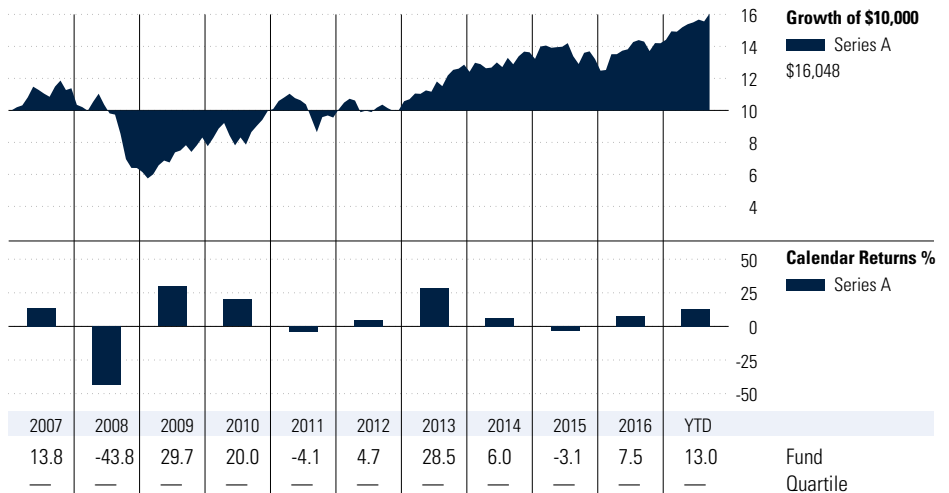
### Equity Statistics

P/B Ratio	4.0
P/E Ratio	27.8
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	12.0

### Global Equity Sectors

	% Equity
Information Technology	26.5
Industrials	21.5
Health Care	19.5
Consumer Discretionary	11.2
Financials	8.8
Consumer Staples	5.9
Materials	2.8
Energy	1.9
Real Estate	1.8
Telecommunication Services	0.0
Utilities	0.0
Unclassified	0.0

## Performance Analysis as of September 30, 2017



	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
Fund	3.1	3.5	7.6	12.2	7.6	9.1	3.4	5.6	5.6
Fund Quartile	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
No. of Funds in Category	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Kenneth A. Tyszko

#### RBC Global Asset Management (U.S.) Inc.

Within RBC Global Asset Management (U.S.), Ken is responsible for Small-, SMid- and Mid-Cap Growth research and portfolio management. His 28 years of industry experience includes portfolio management responsibilities at Oberweis Asset Management, ABN AMRO Asset Management (USA) Inc. and Sears Investment Management Company. Ken holds a Bachelor of Science degree in accountancy from the University of Illinois; he is certified as a CPA and is a CFA charterholder.

### Performance Analysis Cont'd as of September 30, 2017

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Distributions	—	0.30	2.42	0.38	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	0.30	2.42	0.38	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	3-2010	47.6	3-2006	25.6	2-2014	17.7	3-2013	8.1
Worst	12-2008	-43.8	2-2009	-16.5	3-2003	-10.9	2-2009	-2.4
Average		6.6		6.3		5.5		3.8
No. of Periods		289		265		241		181
Pct. Positive		69.6		70.9		74.3		92.8

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

### Quarterly Commentary as at September 30, 2017

The Fund's top contributors on an absolute basis for Q3 were ABIOMED, H. B. Fuller and Concho Resources. The worst performing stocks for Q3 were Henry Schein and Cooper Companies. Overall, adverse stock selection and sector allocation headwinds weighed on returns. Poor stock selection in the Industrials and Information Technology sectors more than offset favorable stock selection in the Health Care and Consumer Discretionary sectors. The Fund's moderate overweight to the relatively poor performing Health Care sector detracted the most from a sector allocation standpoint. The Fund's largest overweighted sectors versus the index are Health Care and Industrials, while the largest underweighted sectors are Consumer Discretionary and Materials. The Fund owned 80 stocks as of quarter end with six new stocks added to the Fund in Q3.

The U.S. economy appears to be on solid footing, with good potential for acceleration, as reflected

in recent ISM Manufacturing PMI data, the low unemployment rate, and high consumer and business confidence figures. However, the uncertainty surrounding the implementation of any of the Trump administration's supportive fiscal policy measures such as health care reform, tax reform, and infrastructure spending is impacting the pace and size of the future economic growth. From a stock perspective, valuations in U.S. markets are clearly rich as major indices continue to hit all-time highs. The opportunity for price/earnings multiple expansion to drive market advancement is limited, so prospective market gains will be largely reliant on corporate earnings growth. We continue to remain cautiously optimistic about U.S. economic growth. Our investment process leads us to invest in companies with limited exposure to macro-economic risks and we believe that this should enable the Fund to successfully navigate through any increase in market volatility.



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MER (%) for RBC Corporate Class Funds is based on actual expenses for the full-year period, April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017, 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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