

# RBC U.S. Small-Cap Value Equity Fund



### Investment objective

To provide long-term capital growth. The fund invests primarily in equity securities of U.S. small-cap companies that are deemed to be undervalued in order to provide broad exposure to economic growth opportunities in the equity markets.

### Fund details

Series	Load structure	Currency	Fund code
A	No load	CAD	RBF435

<b>Inception date</b>	September 2015
<b>Total fund assets \$MM</b>	56.1
<b>Series A NAV \$</b>	12.38
<b>Series A MER %</b>	2.05

<b>Income distribution</b>	Annually
<b>Capital gains distribution</b>	Annually
<b>Sales status</b>	Open
<b>Minimum investment \$</b>	500
<b>Subsequent investment \$</b>	25
<b>Risk rating</b>	Medium to High
<b>Fund category</b>	U.S. Small/Mid Cap Equity

### Benchmark

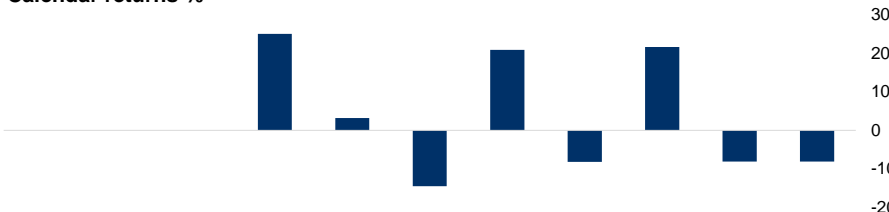
100% Russell 2000 Value Index (CDN\$)

### Performance analysis for Series A as of December 31, 2022

Growth of \$10,000



### Calendar returns %

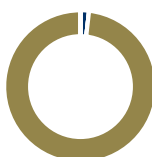


2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	YTD	
—	—	—	25.0	3.2	-14.5	20.9	-8.2	21.6	-8.1	-8.1	Fund
—	—	—	1 <sup>st</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	Quartile

1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since incep.	Trailing return %
-6.6	5.3	8.8	-8.1	0.8	1.2	—	5.2	Fund
4 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	—	—	Quartile
285	285	267	254	203	174	—	—	# of funds in category

### Portfolio analysis as of December 31, 2022

#### Asset mix



	% Assets
Cash	1.8
Fixed income	0.0
Canadian equities	0.0
U.S. equities	98.2
European equities	0.0
Asia-Pacific equities	0.0
Emerging markets equities	0.0
Other	0.0

#### Equity style

	Value	Blend	Growth
Large	0	0	0
Mid	6	3	5
Small	40	32	14

Weight %

- > 50
- 25-50
- 10-25
- 0-10

#### Equity characteristics

Dividend yield (%)	2.0
Price to earnings ratio (forward)	10.4
Price to book ratio	1.5
Weighted average market capitalization (\$Bn)	4.3

Portfolio analysis continued as of December 31, 2022

Top 25 holdings	% Assets	Equity sector allocation											
Southwest Gas Holdings Inc	3.2	Financials	26.3										
Columbia Banking System Inc	2.6	Industrials	15.7										
Mercantile Bank Corp	2.4	Consumer Discretionary	12.0										
Reinsurance Group of America Inc	2.3	Real Estate	11.2										
Independent Bank Group Inc	2.3	Energy	6.6										
Veritex Holdings Inc	2.2	Health Care	6.6										
Ducommun Inc	2.1	Materials	6.0										
Compass Diversified Holdings	2.1	Information Technology	6.0										
Globus Medical Inc	2.1	Utilities	3.2										
SPDR S&P Biotech ETF	2.1	Consumer Staples	3.0										
Columbus McKinnon Corp/NY	2.1	Communication Services	1.8										
Barrett Business Services Inc	2.1	Unclassified	1.5										
Pinnacle Financial Partners Inc	2.0												
Reliance Steel & Aluminum Co	2.0												
Magnolia Oil & Gas Corp - Class A Shares	1.9												
Community Healthcare Trust Inc	1.9												
Nexstar Media Group Inc	1.7												
WSFS Financial Corp	1.7												
American Financial Group Inc/OH	1.7												
Greenbrier Cos Inc	1.7												
United Community Banks Inc/GA	1.7												
Par Pacific Holdings Inc	1.6												
ACCO Brands Corp	1.6												
TriCo Bancshares	1.5												
Delek US Holdings Inc	1.5												
<b>Total % of top 25 holdings</b>	<b>50.1</b>												
<b>Total number of stock holdings</b>	<b>66</b>												
		<b>Distributions (\$/unit)*</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
		Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		Canadian dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		Foreign dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		Foreign taxes paid	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		Capital gains	—	0.30	—	—	0.49	—	0.11	0.10	—	—	—
		Return of capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
		<b>Total distributions</b>	<b>0.92</b>	<b>0.30</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>0.49</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>0.11</b>	<b>0.10</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>

\*Income type characterization and foreign taxes paid for the previous year, are reported at or around January month-end. Distributions reported are for the same series as the performance analysis. For distributions on other series please visit [rbcgam.com/funds](http://rbcgam.com/funds).

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Lance is Senior Equity Portfolio Manager, U.S. Equities Core and Value at RBC GAM U.S. He has been in the investment industry since 1980. Before joining the firm in 2006, Lance was a portfolio manager and research analyst for two large investment management companies, where he served as head of their small-/mid-cap value team. Lance earned a BA in Economics from Princeton University and an MBA in Finance from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

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