



# RBC Select Growth Portfolio

## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth by investing primarily in funds managed by RBC GAM, emphasizing equity mutual funds for higher growth potential, with some exposure to fixed-income mutual funds for diversification. The portfolio invests in a diversified mix of Canadian, U.S. and international funds.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF459
A	No Load	USD	RBF518
Adv	Deferred Sales	CAD	RBF842
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF742
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF102
Adv	Low Load	USD	RBF4518
T5	No Load	CAD	RBF547

Inception Date	December 1986
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	8,720.0
Series A NAV \$	29.64
Series A MER %	2.04
Benchmark	30% FTSE TMX Canada Universe Bond Index 25% S&P 500 Total Return Index (CAD) 23% S&P/TSX Capped Composite Total Return Index 16% MSCI EAFE Total Return Net Index (CAD) 6% MSCI Emerging Markets Total Return Net Index (CAD)

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

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

Fund Category	Global Equity Balanced
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Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
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Web Site	www.rbcgam.com
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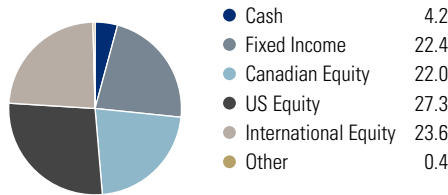
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Performance Analysis is in CAD and for CAD series A fund (RBF459).

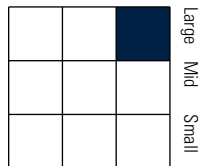
This is a continuing fund resulting from a merger effective June 27, 2014.

## Portfolio Analysis as of December 31, 2017

### Asset Mix



### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

### Top 5 Sectors

Sector	% Equity
Financials	24.2
Information Technology	14.8
Consumer Discretionary	11.2
Industrials	10.7
Energy	9.9

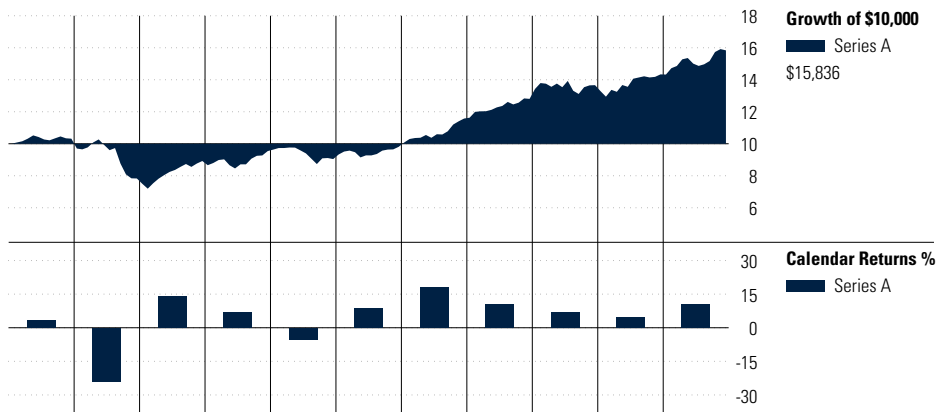
### Fixed Income Breakdown

Category	% Fixed Income
Government Bonds	40.1
Corporate Bonds	42.9
Other Bonds	0.1
Mortgage Backed Securities	0.4
ST Investments (Cash & Other)	15.8
Asset Backed Securities	0.7

### Top 25 Holdings

Holder	% Assets
RBC Bond Fund	9.3
RBC European Equity Fund	8.9
PH&N US Multi-Style All-Cap Equity Fund	7.0
RBC Global Corporate Bond Fund	6.8
RBC Private Canadian Equity Pool	6.3
RBC QUBE US Equity Fund	5.3
PH&N Canadian Equity Underlying Fund	5.0
RBC Emerging Markets Equity Fund	4.5
RBC Global Equity Focus Fund	4.4
RBC Global Dividend Growth Fund	4.4
RBC Canadian Dividend Fund	4.2
PH&N Canadian Growth Fund	4.2
RBC Global Bond Fund	3.4
RBC Private US Large Cap Equity Pool	3.2
RBC US Dividend Fund	3.2
RBC QUBE Canadian Equity Fund	3.1
RBC Asia Pacific ex-Japan Equity Fund	2.6
RBC Japanese Equity Fund	1.7
BlueBay Global Monthly Income Bond Fund	1.7
RBC US Equity Fund	1.6
BlueBay Global Sovereign Bond Fund	1.2
RBC Emerging Markets Dividend Fund	1.2
RBC US Mid-Cap Growth Equity Fund	1.1
RBC Emerging Markets Small-Cap Eq Fund	1.0
PH&N Total Return Bond Fund	1.0
Total % of Top 25 Holdings	96.3
Total Number of Portfolio Holdings	32
Total Number of Stock Holdings	3,177
Total Number of Bond Holdings	5,552
Total Number of Other Holdings	263
<b>Total Number of Underlying Holdings</b>	<b>8,992</b>

## Performance Analysis as of December 31, 2017



Year	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	Fund Quartile
1 Mth	3.2	-24.1	13.9	7.0	-5.2	8.5	18.0	10.6	6.7	4.9	10.5	2nd
3 Mth	1st	3rd	4th	4th	3rd	3rd	3rd	1st	2nd	3rd	2nd	2nd

Period	1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
Return	-0.5	4.4	5.5	10.5	7.3	10.1	4.4	6.2	Fund
Rank	2nd	1st	1st	2nd	2nd	2nd	3rd	—	Quartile
No. of Funds	1046	1038	1026	984	689	471	224	—	No. of Funds in Category



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

**Sarah Riopelle**

**RBC Global Asset Management Inc.**

Sarah Riopelle is Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager, Investment Solutions. Sarah began her investment career in 1996. She is a member of the RBC Investment Strategy Committee and is responsible for the firm's Portfolio Solutions. Sarah has a Bachelor of Commerce in Finance and International Management from the University of Ottawa 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	0.35	0.33	1.60	2.62	0.39	0.18	0.23	0.09	0.11	0.15	0.81
Interest	0.09	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	—	—	—	0.05	—	0.35
Dividends	—	0.15	0.15	0.14	0.10	0.09	—	0.02	0.06	0.01	—
Capital Gains	0.26	0.17	1.43	2.47	0.28	0.09	0.23	0.07	—	0.14	0.46
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	3-2004	28.0	3-2006	16.8	8-2000	12.1	2-2005	6.8
Worst	2-2009	-25.5	3-2003	-8.1	5-2012	-2.8	8-2010	0.8
Average		6.3		6.1		5.6		4.6
No. of Periods		289		265		241		181
Pct. Positive		73.7		79.6		89.2		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 global economy is running at the fastest clip in seven years supported by an increasingly broad-based expansion, favourable financial conditions and optimism among businesses and consumers. As a result, we nudged our global growth forecasts higher for 2018 and expect firming inflation. Our forecasts for growth and inflation are slightly above consensus.

The Fund's overweight position in equities and underweight position in fixed income had a positive impact on performance. Global equities gained in all major regions, benefiting from the synchronized expansion and renewed profit growth. Japanese stocks outperformed on fiscal stimulus and pro-growth reforms, while the U.S. rallied on corporate-tax cuts. Europe and Canada gained too, but underperformed given their lower exposure to technology. Returns were bolstered by investments in Phillips, Hager & North U.S. Multi-Style All-Cap Equity Fund, RBC QUBE U.S. Equity Fund and RBC European Equity Fund.

Bonds issued by national governments posted modest returns in the fourth quarter of 2017 as inflation remained subdued and several major central banks extended bond-buying programs designed to hold down longer-term yields. Among the investments that aided the Fund's performance were RBC Bond Fund and RBC Global Corporate Bond Fund.

We expect bond yields to move higher at a gradual pace, supported by the improving economy and monetary tightening. Meanwhile, earnings have been coming through and analysts are optimistic that the trend can persist. U.S. corporate-tax cuts could provide an additional boost to profits. Against this backdrop, equities continue to offer superior total-return potential compared to fixed income and we have maintained our moderate overweight in stocks and underweight in bonds as a result.



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