



# RBC Trend Canadian Equity Fund

## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth. The fund uses a systematic trend-following approach to invest primarily in equity securities of Canadian companies and short-term fixed income securities.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF9072
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF6072
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF4072

Inception Date	November 2016
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	57.7
Series A NAV \$	10.20
Series A MER %	1.85
Benchmark	FTSE TMX Canada 30 Day T-Bill Index + 3%

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

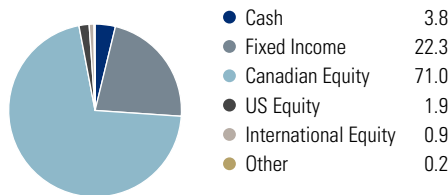
Sales Status	Open
Min. Investment \$	500
Subsequent Investment \$	25

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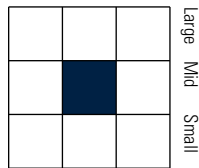
Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
Web Site	www.rbcgam.com

## Portfolio Analysis as of December 31, 2017

### Asset Mix



### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

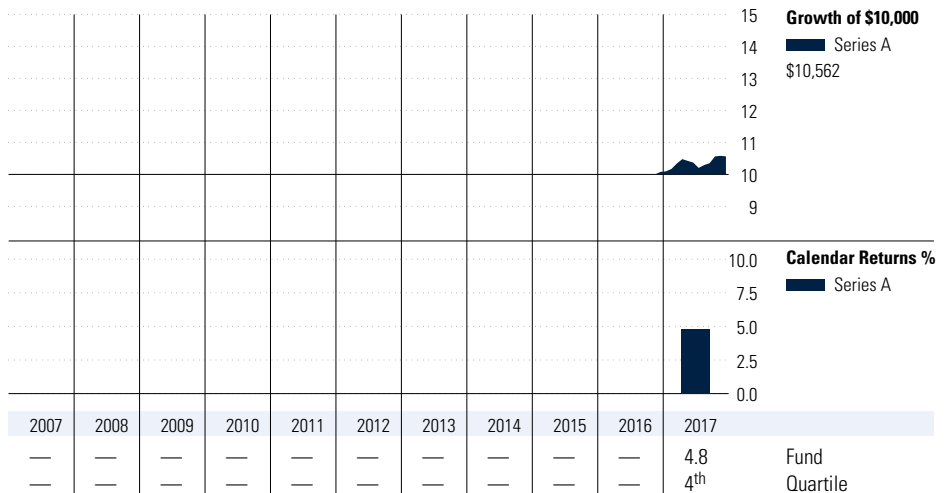
### Global Equity Sectors

Sector	% Equity
Financials	23.1
Real Estate	16.7
Utilities	13.8
Industrials	12.9
Consumer Discretionary	8.2
Materials	7.2
Energy	6.2
Consumer Staples	4.6
Telecommunication Services	3.8
Information Technology	2.4
Health Care	1.0
Unclassified	0.0

### Top 25 Holdings

Company	% Assets
CIBC	1.1
National Bank of Canada	1.0
Intact Financial Corp	1.0
TELUS Corp	1.0
Crombie Real Estate Investment Trust	1.0
BCE Inc	1.0
Bank of Montreal	1.0
The Toronto-Dominion Bank	1.0
Royal Bank of Canada	1.0
Fortis Inc	1.0
Canadian Apartment Ppty Real Estate Inv	0.9
Emera Inc	0.9
Power Financial Corp	0.9
Dream Global Real Estate Investment Tr	0.9
Canadian Real Estate Investment Trust	0.9
TransCanada Corp	0.9
Pure Industrial Real Estate Trust	0.9
Sun Life Financial Inc	0.9
Hydro One Ltd	0.9
Artis Real Estate Investment Trust	0.9
First Capital Realty Inc	0.9
Great-West Lifeco Inc	0.9
Bank of Nova Scotia	0.9
H&R Real Estate Investment Trust	0.8
Canadian Tire Corp Ltd Class A	0.8
<b>Total % of Top 25 Holdings</b>	<b>23.4</b>
<b>Total Number of Stock Holdings</b>	<b>111</b>
<b>Total Number of Bond Holdings</b>	<b>479</b>
<b>Total Number of Other Holdings</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>599</b>

## Performance Analysis as of December 31, 2017



1 Mth	3 Mth	6 Mth	1 Yr	3 Yr	5 Yr	10 Yr	Since Incep.	Trailing Return %
-0.2	2.0	1.8	4.8	—	—	—	5.3	Fund
4 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</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

#### Warner Sulz

#### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Warner Sulz is Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager, Canadian Equities. He has been in the investment industry since 1986.

### Performance Analysis Cont'd as of December 31, 2017

Distributions (\$)/Unit	2017*	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Total Distributions	0.04	0.32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Interest	0.04	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	0.32	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	11-2017	5.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Worst	12-2017	4.8	—	—	—	—	—	—
Average		5.3		—		—		—
No. of Periods		2		—		—		—
Pct. Positive		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 equity market performed positively during Q4. All sectors contributed to the positive performance. The Health Care sector had the highest returns this quarter thanks to positive momentum within marijuana and pharmaceutical stocks. Within Real Estate, REIT returns were strong despite the current rising interest rate environment. Energy was the weakest performing sector.

Sector performance was strong with 10 out of 11 sectors contributing positively to returns led by the Financials, Real Estate and Industrials sectors; the Energy sector was the sole detractor. Our position in short-term fixed income (used to invest excess cash in the Fund) contributed modestly to returns.

Top contributors at the security level included Dream Global REIT, Canadian Apartment Properties REIT, and CIBC while holdings in Enbridge, Linamar, and Keyera were the largest detractors. Over the quarter, the overall allocation to equities increased from 66% to 74% as we sold out of 13 positions and added 27, resulting in the total number of equity holdings in the Fund rising from 97 to 111.

We continued to add to our exposure in the Financials sector. We bought a total of seven names, the largest position sizes being CIBC and BMO, while only selling a long-time and profitable holding Onex due to recent share price weakness. Quarter-over-quarter our allocation to the Financials sector saw the largest increase, growing by 3.7% to end the quarter at 17.1%.

Of the stocks sold from the Fund over Q4, the positions were predominantly replaced by other names in each of their respective sectors, resulting in only modest sector allocation reductions to the Consumer Discretionary, Energy, and Telecommunication Services sectors. We sold our positions in Air Canada, Norbord, Transcontinental, and Transalta Renewables after posting strong holding period returns as exit conditions were met. At the end of the fourth quarter, the Fund had its largest weights in the Financials, Real Estate, Utilities and Industrials sectors. The Fund's position in cash and short-term fixed income was reduced from 34% to 26%.



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