



# RBC U.S. Equity Fund (US\$)

## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth by investing in equity securities of U.S. companies to provide broad exposure to economic growth opportunities in the U.S. market.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	USD	RBF449

Inception Date	July 1966
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	2,066.6
Series A NAV \$	24.28
Series A MER %	1.94
Benchmark	S&P 500 Total Return Index (US\$)

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

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

Fund Category	US Equity
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Management Company	RBC Global Asset Management Inc.
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Web Site	www.rbcgam.com
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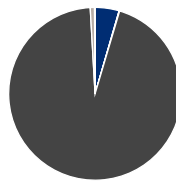
## Notes

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

This is a continuing fund resulting from a merger effective November 27, 2015.

## Portfolio Analysis as of August 31, 2019

### Asset Mix

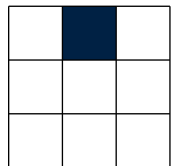


	% Assets
Cash	4.5
Fixed Income	0.0
Canadian Equity	0.1
US Equity	94.6
International Equity	0.8
Other	0.1

### Top 10 Holdings

	% Assets
Microsoft Corp	4.4
Apple Inc	3.9
Alphabet Inc A	3.0
Amazon.com Inc	2.7
Verizon Communications Inc	2.0
Johnson & Johnson	1.8
Visa Inc Class A	1.8
Facebook Inc A	1.7
AT&T Inc	1.6
Mastercard Inc A	1.6
Total % of Top 10 Holdings	24.4
Total Number of Stock Holdings	506
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	7
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>513</b>

### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

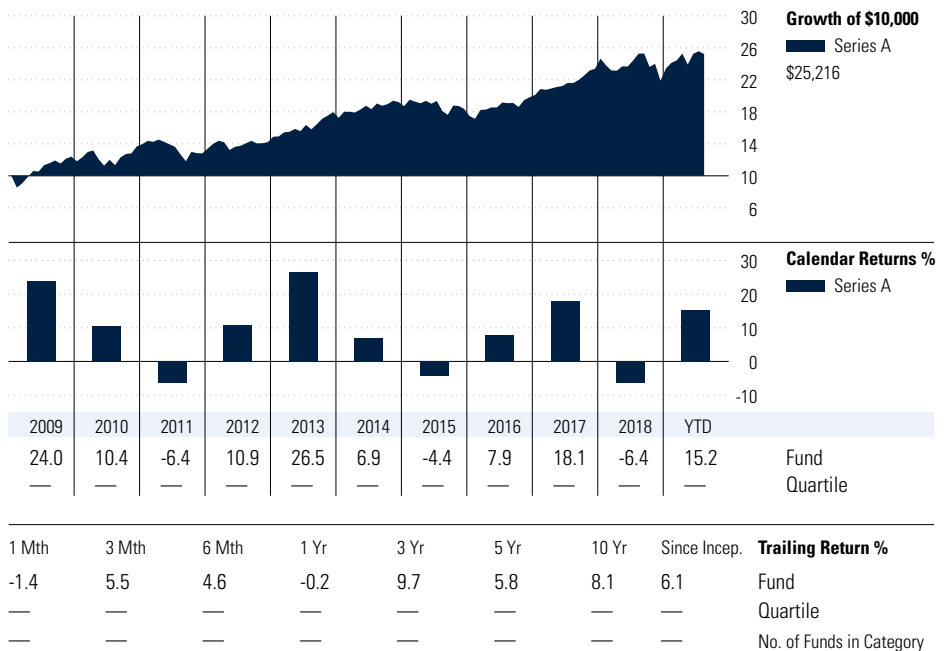
### Equity Statistics

P/B Ratio	3.2
P/E Ratio	18.6
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	174.5

### Global Equity Sectors

	% Equity
Information Technology	23.2
Health Care	13.9
Financials	12.7
Communication Services	12.4
Consumer Discretionary	9.3
Industrials	8.8
Consumer Staples	7.8
Real Estate	3.8
Energy	3.7
Utilities	3.6
Materials	0.8
Unclassified	0.0

## Performance Analysis as of August 31, 2019





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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Brad Willock

#### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Brad Willock joined RBC in May 1996 and RBC Global Asset Management in July 2002. In his current role, he is responsible for core and income-oriented U.S. equity mandates. Brad has a Bachelor of Commerce and a Bachelor of Science, and is a CFA charterholder.

### Performance Analysis Cont'd as of August 31, 2019

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Total Distributions	—	1.33	1.15	—	5.04	3.02	—	—	—	—	—
Interest	—	—	—	—	0.56	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	1.33	1.15	—	4.48	3.02	—	—	—	—	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	7-1997	45.3	3-2000	21.4	3-2000	18.1	2-2019	11.0
Worst	2-2009	-43.7	3-2003	-17.2	2-2009	-6.1	8-2010	-3.3
Average		6.9		6.2		5.3		4.0
No. of Periods		289		265		241		181
Pct. Positive		74.0		74.3		69.7		85.1

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

### Commentary as at June 30, 2019

U.S. equity markets rallied in the first half of 2019, largely as a result of optimism that the U.S. Federal Reserve would lower short-term interest rates, perhaps as early as July, and growing optimism that a trade agreement between the U.S. and China would be reached. The S&P 500 Index had faced heightened volatility during May as trade negotiations between the U.S. and China appeared to fall apart, but the volatility subsided after U.S. President Trump and Chinese President Xi indicated that they would work toward a resolution.

The Fund's relative performance was aided by security selection in the Industrials and Consumer Staples sectors. An overweight position in Progressive Corp. contributed to returns after the insurer reported strong earnings due to solid results in its personal and commercial auto businesses.

Security selection in the Health Care sector held back returns. The Fund's overweight position in CVS Health had a negative impact on performance

after the health-services provider and pharmacy chain reported higher-than-expected costs and issues related to its Omnicare unit.

Portfolio turnover can be high for the Fund, as the portfolio manager attempts to generate better returns through active security and sector selection.

Stocks are likely to rise modestly over the next year, in the view of the portfolio manager, but there are several scenarios that could lead to a different outcome. Stock gains may be more robust if the economic expansion lasts through 2021, which would likely depend on interest-rate cuts by the U.S. Federal Reserve, the resolution of the U.S.-China trade dispute and a re-accelerating Chinese economy. Alternatively, global growth would continue to slow if the trade rift widens, corporate earnings continue to fall and rising geopolitical risks cause investors to reduce valuations for equities and other risky assets.



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