

# PH&N Currency-Hedged U.S. Equity Fund

## Investment Objective

The fundamental investment objectives of the Fund are to provide significant long-term capital growth primarily through exposure to a well-diversified portfolio of quality U.S. common stocks, while minimizing currency risk. To achieve these objectives, the Fund will invest primarily in units of other funds managed by RBC GAM.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF7560
Adv	Front End	CAD	RBF6560
Adv	Low Load	CAD	RBF4560

Inception Date	November 2008
Total Fund Assets \$Mil	39.0
Series A NAV \$	12.92
Series A MER %	1.88
Benchmark	S&P 500 Total Return Index (hedged to C\$)

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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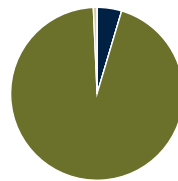
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## Notes

Please note: Holdings shown are for PH&N U.S. Equity Fund.

## Portfolio Analysis as of July 31, 2019

### Asset Mix

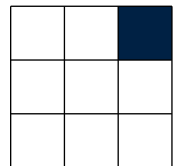


	% Assets
Cash	4.6
Fixed Income	0.0
Canadian Equity	0.0
US Equity	94.7
International Equity	0.7
Other	0.0

### Top 10 Holdings

	% Assets
Microsoft Corp	5.0
Amazon.com Inc	3.7
Apple Inc	3.6
Alphabet Inc Class C	2.7
Facebook Inc A	2.5
Berkshire Hathaway Inc B	2.2
JPMorgan Chase & Co	2.1
Exxon Mobil Corp	1.9
Visa Inc Class A	1.8
Johnson & Johnson	1.7
Total % of Top 10 Holdings	27.2
Total Number of Stock Holdings	151
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	1
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>152</b>

### Equity Style



Value Blend Growth

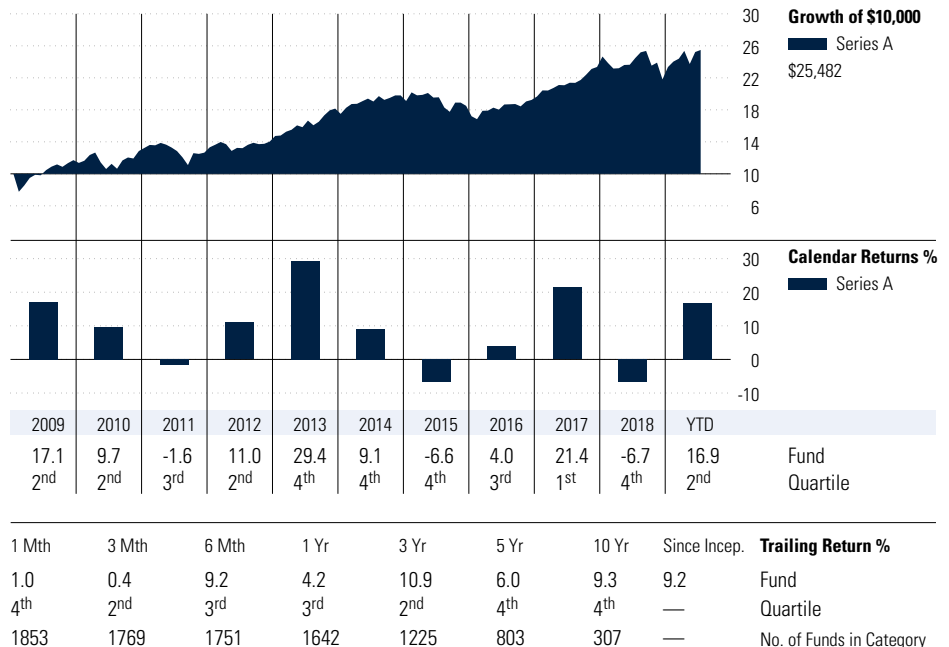
### Equity Statistics

P/B Ratio	3.2
P/E Ratio	19.3
Avg. Mkt Cap. \$B	179.6

### Global Equity Sectors

	% Equity
Information Technology	22.8
Financials	14.1
Health Care	14.0
Communication Services	10.5
Consumer Discretionary	9.6
Industrials	9.4
Consumer Staples	7.6
Energy	5.4
Utilities	2.7
Real Estate	2.2
Materials	1.7
Unclassified	0.0

## Performance Analysis as of July 31, 2019



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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Stuart Kedwell

##### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Stuart Kedwell is Senior Vice President and Co-Head, North American Equities. He has been in the investment industry since 1997.

#### Doug Raymond

##### RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Doug Raymond is Senior Vice President and Co-Head, North American Equities. He has been in the investment industry since 1985.

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

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD*	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Total Distributions	—	—	0.55	—	—	0.03	—	0.30	0.01	0.17	0.38
Interest	—	—	—	—	—	0.03	—	—	—	—	0.03
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	0.55	—	—	—	—	0.30	0.01	0.17	0.35
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %	Ended	1 Yr	Ended	3 Yr	Ended	5 Yr	Ended	10 Yr
Best	2-2010	50.0	2-2012	20.7	2-2014	18.7	2-2019	12.0
Worst	2-2016	-16.6	12-2016	1.9	12-2018	3.7	12-2018	8.1
Average		10.4		9.5		9.6		10.0
No. of Periods		117		93		69		9
Pct. Positive		82.1		100.0		100.0		100.0

\* 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 confidence 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 Health Care sector. An overweight position in Advanced Micro Devices also boosted relative performance. The chipmaker's shares benefited from a plan to manufacture gaming chips for Google's streaming service and optimism about new products.

Security selection in the Communication Services sector contributed to overall performance. However, the Fund's overweight position in

Alphabet held back returns after the company reported first-quarter revenue that was lower than expectations, prompting fears that internet advertisers were starting to shift spending to competitors. In the portfolio manager's view, Alphabet continues to have the potential for continued ad growth in its search business, Google, and YouTube video platform.

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 U.S.-China dispute escalates, corporate earnings continue to fall and rising geopolitical risks cause investors to reduce valuations for equities and other risky assets.

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