

# **RBC Microcap Value Fund**

# **Fund Strategy**

Invests in a diversified portfolio of the smallest companies that have been neglected by institutional shareholders. Utilizing a quantitative process to identify value-oriented investments, the Fund strives to achieve long-term growth while seeking to minimize the effects of market declines and fluctuations.

### **Portfolio Construction**

- Initial position sizes are equal-weighted
- Sell decisions are based on valuation, size and profitability
- Portfolio readjustment at least annually
- Incorporate use of ETFs to manage cash inflows and outflows

#### Investment Performance (as of 12.31.18)

Without Sales Charge	<b>Total Returns</b>		Average Annual Total Returns			
	Quarter	YTD	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	10 Years
A Shares	-17.10%	-11.80%	-11.80%	5.23%	3.07%	12.10%
l Shares	-17.05%	-11.55%	-11.55%	5.52%	3.33%	12.39%
Russell Microcap Value Index	-19.45%	-11.96%	-11.96%	8.50%	4.27%	11.20%

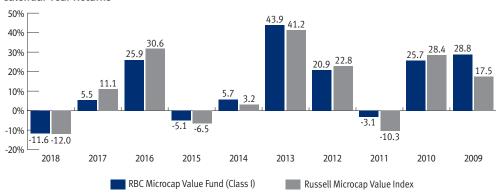
#### With Maximum Sales Charge - Average Annual Total Returns

 1 Year
 3 Years
 5 Years
 10 Years

 A Shares
 -16.87%
 3.18%
 1.85%
 11.43%

Note: Class I Shares do not have sales charges.

#### Calendar Year Returns



Performance data quoted represents past performance. Past performance does not guarantee future results. The investment return and principal value of an investment will fluctuate so that an investor's shares, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance of the Fund may be lower or higher than the performance quoted. For performance data current to the most recent month-end, visit our website at https://us.rbcgam.com/mutual-funds after the seventh business day after month-end or call 800.973.0073. Class A performance with maximum sales charge reflects a maximum 5.75% sales charge.

Performance shown reflects contractual fee waivers. Without such waivers, total returns would be reduced. Performance does not reflect the 2% fee on shares redeemed or exchanged within 30 days of purchase. If such redemption fee was included, performance would be reduced. Class I shares were designated Class S shares before 11.27.12.

<sup>1</sup>The Adviser has contractually agreed to waive fees and/or pay operating expenses to limit the Fund's total expenses (excluding brokerage and other investment-related costs, interest, taxes, dues, fees and other charges of governments and their agencies, extraordinary expenses such as litigation and indemnification, other expenses not incurred in the ordinary course of the Fund's business and acquired fund fees and expenses) to 1.32% for Class A and 1.07% for Class I. This expense limitation agreement is in place until 1.31.19 and may not be terminated by the Adviser before that date. Net expense ratios are as of the most recent prospectus/supplement dated 1.26.18 and applicable to investors.

#### **Fund Facts**

**Fund Adviser:** RBC Global Asset Management (U.S.) Inc.

Fund Managers: Team managed

**Expense Ratio:** 

 Gross
 Net¹

 A Shares
 1.69%
 1.33%

 I Shares
 1.19%
 1.08%

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A Shares 74926P829 I Shares 74926P365

Ticker:

A Shares TMVAX I Shares RMVIX

**Minimum Initial Investment:** 

A Shares \$1,000.00 I Shares \$250,000.00

**Inception Date:** 

A Shares 4.19.04 I Shares 9.10.87

**Net Fund Assets:** \$106.06 million **Dividend Frequency:** Annually

#### **Investment Team**

Lance F. James, Lead Portfolio Manager Industry Experience: 38 years

Kristen Patrie, Equity Trader Industry Experience: 24 years

**Ryan Larson,** Head of Equity Trading Industry Experience: 18 years

# **Sector Allocation**

Sector	Weight
Financials	33.85%
Industrials	22.28
Consumer Discretionary	19.80
Information Technology	5.37
Utilities	5.37
Materials	3.46
Energy	3.39
Consumer Staples	2.73
Healthcare	2.67
Diversified ETF	0.70
Communication Services	0.37

# **Top Ten Holdings**

Company Name	Weight
Independence Holding Co	1.05%
REX American Resources Corp	1.03
Connecticut Water Service Inc	1.02
Chesapeake Utilities Corp	1.01
FedNat Holding Co	1.00
Marcus Corp	0.96
Ducommun Inc	0.96
Unitil Corp	0.94
EMC Insurance Group Inc	0.93
K12 Inc	0.93

Source: RBC, FactSet

**Alpha** - a risk-adjusted performance measurement of a portfolio's excess return relative to its benchmark after considering its risk relative to the benchmark.

Beta - a volatility measurement of a portfolio compared to a benchmark or the overall market and indicates the sensitivity of a portfolio's returns to benchmark or market movements.

R-Squared - a statistical measure of the strength of the relationship between a portfolio's returns and its benchmark's returns and therefore a measurement of what portion of a portfolio's performance can be explained by movements in its benchmark.

**Sharpe Ratio** - a risk-adjusted return measurement of efficiency and is calculated using a portfolio's standard deviation and excess return relative to a risk-free rate to determine reward per unit of risk.

**Standard Deviation** - a volatility measurement and represents the average, or standard, deviation of a return series from its mean, or average, return.

**Upside Capture** - a performance measurement of a portfolio compared to its benchmark when the benchmark had positive returns and is calculated by dividing a portfolio's returns by its benchmark returns and multiplying by 100.

**Downside Capture** - a performance measurement of a portfolio compared to its benchmark when the benchmark had negative returns and is calculated by dividing a portfolio's returns by its benchmark returns and multiplying by 100.

## **Risk Characteristics**

10 Years through 12.31.18

	Alpha	Beta	Standard Deviation	R-Squared	Upside Capture	Downside Capture	Sharpe Ratio
RBC Microcap Value Fund	2.02%	0.89	17.84%	96.57%	81.65%	95.32%	0.67
Russell Microcap Value Index	0.00	1.00	19.60	100.00	100.00	100.00	0.55

# **Portfolio Characteristics**

As of 12.31.18	RBC Microcap Value Fund	Russell Microcap Value Index
Valuation		
Price/Earnings Ratio (Forward 1 Year)	12.4x	11.7x
Price/Book Ratio (Last 12 Months)	1.3x	1.2x
Growth		
EPS Growth (Forward 2 Years)	26.9%	21.2%
EPS Growth (Trailing 5 Years)	7.5%	5.7%
Risk		
Long-Term Debt/Total Capitalization (Last 12 Months)	20.9%	17.6%
Other		
Weighted Median Market Cap (Millions)	\$488	\$444
Weighted Average Market Cap (Millions)	\$630	\$478
Turnover (Prior Fiscal Year-End)	9.0%	N/A
Number of Holdings (Including Cash)	347	1,069

# **Transfer Agent**

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EPS Growth is not a measure of the Fund's future performance. Projected EPS growth rates provide the mutual fund investor details on the underlying stock holdings and their estimated growth in earnings per share. This does not imply an increase in earnings to the mutual fund investor, it only illustrates the expected increase in EPS growth rates of the underlying stocks that are owned within the mutual fund. It is the belief of the RBC Mid Cap Value portfolio management team that there is a correlation between earnings growth rates and stock performance.

**Long-Term Debt/Total Capitalization** - a ratio used to show a company's financial leverage by comparing its long-term debt to its available capital.

**Price/Book (P/B)** - a ratio used to compare the market value of a company's stock to its book value.

**Price/Earnings (P/E)** - a ratio for valuing a company that measures its current share price relative to its per-share earnings.

**Weighted Average Market Cap** - an average market capitalization of a portfolio calculated by giving more value to stocks with greater portfolio weights than stocks with lesser portfolio weights.

The Russell Microcap Value Index measures the performance of the micro capitalization value segment of the U.S. equity market. It includes those companies with lower price-to-book ratios and lower forecasted growth rates in the Russell Microcap® Index, which comprises the smallest 1,000 companies in the Russell 2000® Index plus 1,000 smaller U.S. equities. You cannot invest directly in an index.

Fund holdings and/or sector allocations are subject to change at any time and are not recommendations to buy or sell any security. Current and future holdings are subject to risk.

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Diversification does not assure a profit or protect against loss in a declining market.

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