



# RBC O'Shaughnessy U.S. Growth Fund

**Fund Category**  
US Small/Mid Cap Equity

**Morningstar Rating™**  
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## Investment Objective

To provide long-term capital growth by investing primarily in equity securities of U.S. companies based on Strategy Indexing®, a rigorous and disciplined approach to stock selection based on characteristics associated with above-average returns over long periods of time.

## Fund Details

Series	Load Structure	Currency	Fund Code
A	No Load	CAD	RBF551
F	No Load	CAD	RBF618

Inception Date	November 1997
Total Assets \$Mil	216.4
Series A NAV \$	7.78
Series A MER %	1.47
Benchmark	Russell 2000 (\$US)

Income Distribution	Annually
Capital Gains Distribution	Annually

Sales Status	Capped
Min. Investment \$	500
Subsequent Investment \$	25
RRSP Eligibility	Yes

Management Company	RBC Asset Management Inc.
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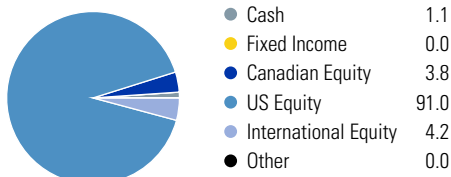
Web Site [www.rbcam.com](http://www.rbcam.com)

## Notes

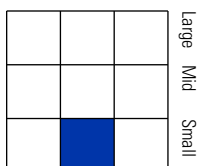
Effective June 30, 2006, fund closed to new purchases except through a pre-authorized contribution established with RBC Asset Management and through automatic reinvestment of distributions.

## Portfolio Analysis as of September 30, 2009

### Asset Mix



### Equity Style



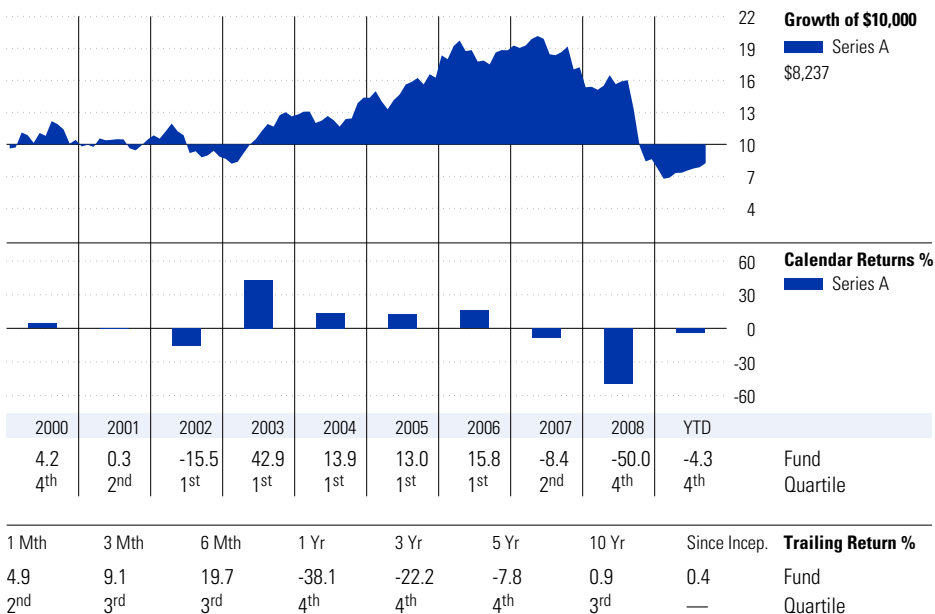
### Global Equity Sectors

Sector	% Equity
Utilities	1.3
Energy	6.5
Financials	7.5
Materials	6.6
Consumer Discretionary	31.1
Consumer Staples	7.6
Telecommunication Services	1.5
Industrials	17.1
Health Care	10.5
Information Technology	10.3
Unclassified	0.0

### Top 25 Holdings

Company	% Assets
SXC Health Solutions Corporation	2.3
Lumber Liquidators, Inc.	2.2
Dollar Thrifty Automotive Group, Inc.	1.7
Cott Corporation	1.4
Central Garden & Pet Company A	1.2
Stepan Company	1.1
Cash & Cash Equivalent	1.1
Tenet Healthcare Corporation	1.0
Gymboree Corporation	1.0
Tetra Tech, Inc.	1.0
Jo-Ann Stores, Inc.	1.0
Beacon Roofing Supply, Inc.	1.0
Monro Muffler/Brake, Inc.	1.0
Stifel Financial Corp.	1.0
American Italian Pasta Company	1.0
Force Protection, Inc.	0.9
Schweitzer-Mauduit International, Inc.	0.9
3Com Corporation	0.9
Pep Boys - Manny, Moe & Jack	0.9
InterOil Corporation	0.9
Citi Trends, Inc.	0.9
Coldwater Creek	0.8
Trex Company, Inc.	0.8
Warnaco Group, Inc.	0.8
Panera Bread Company, Inc. A	0.8
Total % of Top 25 Holdings	27.4
Total Number of Stock Holdings	215
Total Number of Bond Holdings	0
Total Number of Other Holdings	1
<b>Total Number of Holdings</b>	<b>216</b>

## Performance Analysis as of September 30, 2009





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## Management Overview

### Manager Bios

#### Jim O'Shaughnessy

#### O'Shaughnessy Asset Management L.L.C.

Jim O'Shaughnessy is the chairman and CEO of O'Shaughnessy Asset Management, L.L.C. Recognized as a leading expert and pioneer in quantitative analysis. Industry experience since 1983.

### Performance Analysis Cont'd as of September 30, 2009

Distributions (\$)/Unit	YTD	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
Total Distributions	—	—	0.55	2.00	1.39	0.44	—	0.57	0.13	—
Interest	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dividends	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Capital Gains	—	—	0.55	2.00	1.39	0.44	—	0.57	0.13	—
Return Of Capital	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Best/Worst Periods %		1Yr		3Yr		5Yr		10Yr
Best	3-2000	64.9	3-2006	32.0	10-2007	16.4	8-2008	11.0
Worst	2-2009	-56.0	3-2009	-29.0	2-2009	-12.3	6-2009	-0.4
Average		4.8		8.1		8.3		4.8
No. of Periods		131		107		83		23
Pct. Positive		60.3		79.4		85.5		91.3

### Quarterly Commentary as at September 30, 2009

In the third quarter, the RBC O'Shaughnessy U.S. Growth Fund (Series A) returned 9.1%, compared to 19.3% for the Russell 2000 Total Return Index, in U.S. dollar terms.

Equity markets continued to advance during the quarter as the economy tried to shrug off the worst recession it had seen in over seven decades. Most major market indices posted double-digit returns. The seven-month rally pushed the S&P 500 up over 58 percent from a 12-year low in March. Financials sector led the charge with securities in the commercial banks and insurance industries continuing to surge. Industrials and Materials were also strong performers for the period.

From a factor perspective, Fund performance was hampered most by exposure to growth factors including strong price momentum and earnings growth relative to the benchmark. The strategy generally benefited from value factors such as low price-to-sales and low debt-to-equity ratios (an

indication of the financial strength of a company).

Positions in Industrials, an overweight for the strategy, hurt performance for the quarter. Positions in Consumer Discretionary were also generally negative for the period. Allocations in Health Care and Telecommunication Services were generally positive, relative to the benchmark. Health Care companies SXC Health Solutions Corp. and Tenet Healthcare Corp. were beneficial to performance. Industrials securities Stanley Inc. and Force Protection Inc. were among the top detractors.

With three quarters of the year behind us, we will not presume to predict market direction for the remainder of the year or claim which segments of the market will outperform in the short-term. However, we continue to believe that by making disciplined investments in companies with certain value and growth characteristics that have historically led to outperformance, we will add value over the long-term.



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