



## Annual Management Report of Fund Performance

for the financial year ended August 31, 2023

All figures are reported in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted.

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### Management Discussion of Fund Performance

#### Investment Objective and Strategies

Investment Objective: Axiom Balanced Growth Portfolio (referred to as the *Portfolio*) seeks to achieve a balance of income and long-term capital growth by investing in a diversified mix of equity, income, and bond mutual funds (referred to as the *Underlying Funds*).

Investment Strategies: The Portfolio has, under normal market conditions, a long-term strategic asset mix of fixed income (10-40%) and equities (60-90%). The Portfolio Advisor may review and adjust the asset mix, in its sole discretion, depending on economic conditions and relative value of income and equity securities. The Portfolio will utilize strategic and tactical asset allocation strategies that will:

- invest up to 100% of the Portfolio's net asset value primarily in units of its Underlying Funds managed by the Manager or one of its affiliates;
- allocate the Portfolio's assets among the Underlying Funds according to the asset mix determined by the Portfolio Advisor and monitor, review, and periodically rebalance or modify the Portfolio's asset mix, change the percentage holdings of any Underlying Fund, and add or remove any Underlying Fund at the Portfolio Advisor's sole discretion.

#### Risk

The Portfolio is a Canadian equity balanced fund that is suitable for medium to long-term investors who can tolerate low to medium investment risk.

For the period ended August 31, 2023, the Portfolio's overall level of risk remained as discussed in the simplified prospectus.

#### Results of Operations

The Portfolio's portfolio advisor is CIBC Asset Management Inc. (referred to as *CAMI*, the *Manager*, or *Portfolio Advisor*). The commentary that follows provides a summary of the results of operations for the period ended August 31, 2023. All dollar figures are expressed in thousands, unless otherwise indicated.

The Portfolio's net asset value decreased by 2% during the period, from \$195,030 as at August 31, 2022 to \$190,183 as at August 31, 2023. Net redemptions of \$13,443 were partially offset by positive investment performance, resulting in an overall decrease in net asset value.

Class A units of the Portfolio posted a return of 4.6% for the period. The Portfolio's primary benchmarks, the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index and the S&P/TSX Composite Index (referred to as the *primary benchmarks*), returned 0.8% and 8.6%, respectively, for the same period. The Portfolio's blended benchmark, as described in the *Annual Compound Returns* section under *Past Performance*, returned 7.8% for the same period. The blended benchmark closely reflects the asset classes the Portfolio invests in, and provides a more useful comparative to the Portfolio's performance. The Portfolio's return is after the deduction of fees and expenses, unlike the primary and blended benchmarks' returns. See the section *Past Performance* for the returns of other classes of units offered by the Portfolio.

The Portfolio has a target asset allocation of 32% Canadian equities, 30% Canadian fixed income securities, 12% U.S. equities, 8% Canadian income-generating investments, 8% international equities, 5% global fixed income securities and 5% emerging markets equities.

Both the Bank of Canada and U.S. Federal Reserve Board raised interest rates several times during the period in an effort to combat rising inflation. Inflation began to show signs of peaking towards the end of the period, which led to anticipation that this cycle of interest-rate increases could be coming to an end.

Oil and natural gas prices stumbled early in the period amid economic growth concerns. However, supply constraints out of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries, combined with the Strategic Petroleum Reserve restocking, helped to stabilize crude oil prices towards the end of the period.

There was a slowdown in information technology spending as a result of macroeconomic uncertainty, which negatively impacted many software and communications stocks. However, the launch of artificial intelligence application ChatGPT created strong demand in certain pockets of the information technology sector.

The U.S. and Canadian yield curves, defined as the difference in yield between 30-year and two-year bonds, deeply inverted over the period, reflecting expectations that central banks' actions could lead to a recession. With an inverted curve, short-term yields are higher than long-term yields.

Corporate bonds outperformed, as credit spreads (the difference in yield between corporate bonds and government bonds with similar maturity) narrowed, reflecting strong demand for risk assets, significantly lower new issuance supply and better-than-anticipated profitability. Still, corporate bonds faced significant volatility, particularly in the first quarter of 2023, following the collapse of several U.S. regional banks.

U.S. equity markets continued to deal with global macroeconomic uncertainty, higher interest rates and elevated inflation. The U.S. economy was supported by healthy employment and robust government spending. Year-to-date returns suggested that investors favoured higher-risk assets. Equity market performance was led by a select group of information technology stocks that dominated in the field of artificial intelligence. Inflation remained elevated but showed signs of moderation.

International equity markets gained, despite macroeconomic and geopolitical challenges. Inflation rose, which effectively lowered real incomes. Tight labour markets in Europe and policies to alleviate high energy prices supported consumption, although economic indicators showed muted growth.

After China's initial economic reopening phase passed, the near-term pace of China's recovery was slower than expected. The trend of near-shoring and investing in regions beyond China to diversify supply chain networks continued.

Global fixed income markets were volatile. While inflation began to moderate, it remained higher than central bank targets. Central banks attempted to manage inflation by raising interest rates, while investors came to accept that interest rates would likely remain higher for longer.

CIBC Canadian Fixed Income Private Pool was the most significant contributor to the Portfolio's performance, followed by CIBC Emerging Markets Equity Private Pool and CIBC Global Bond Private Pool. CIBC U.S. Equity Private Pool was the most significant detractor from the Portfolio's performance, followed by CIBC Canadian Equity Private Pool and CIBC Equity Income Private Pool.

### **Recent Developments**

Effective April 27, 2023, Bryan Houston was appointed Chair of the Independent Review Committee.

The COVID-19 pandemic and the Russia-Ukraine war have disrupted the global economy and financial markets in unprecedented and unpredictable ways. This has resulted in significant volatility and uncertainty in financial markets. It is unclear what further actions may be taken by governments and the resulting impact on global economies, businesses and financial markets. Inflation has increased in many markets across the globe, leading central banks to raise interest rates in order to counter rapidly rising prices. These factors may adversely affect the performance of the Portfolio. The Manager continues to monitor ongoing developments and the impact to investment strategies.

### **Related Party Transactions**

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (referred to as *CIBC*) and its affiliates have the following roles and responsibilities with respect to the Portfolio, and receive the fees described below in connection with their roles and responsibilities.

### *Manager, Trustee, and Portfolio Advisor of the Portfolio*

CAMI, a wholly-owned subsidiary of CIBC, is the Portfolio's Manager, Trustee, and Portfolio Advisor. As Manager, CAMI receives management fees with respect to the Portfolio's day-to-day business and operations, calculated based on the net asset value of each respective class of units of the Portfolio as described in *Management Fees*.

The Manager pays the Portfolio's operating expenses (other than certain fund costs) in respect of the classes of units of the Portfolio, which may include but are not limited to, operating and administrative costs; regulatory fees; audit, and legal fees and expenses; trustee, safekeeping, custodial, and any agency fees; and investor servicing costs and costs of unitholder reports, prospectuses, Fund Facts, and other reports, in exchange for the Portfolio paying a fixed rate administration fee (plus applicable GST/HST) to the Manager with respect to those classes of units. The fixed administration fee payable by the Portfolio, may, in any particular period, exceed or be lower than the expenses we incur in providing such services to the Portfolio.

As Trustee, CAMI holds title to the Portfolio's property (cash and securities) on behalf of its unitholders. As Portfolio Advisor, CAMI provides, or arranges to provide for, investment advice and portfolio management services to the Portfolio. CAMI also compensates dealers in connection with their marketing activities regarding the Portfolio. From time to time, CAMI may invest in units of the Portfolio.

### *Distributor*

Dealers and other firms sell units of the Portfolio to investors. These dealers and other firms include CAMI's related dealers such as the CIBC Investor's Edge discount brokerage division of CIBC Investor Services Inc. (referred to as *CIBC ISI*), the CIBC Imperial Service division of CIBC ISI, and the CIBC Wood Gundy division of CIBC World Markets Inc. (referred to as *CIBC WM*). CIBC ISI and CIBC WM are wholly-owned subsidiaries of CIBC.

CAMI may pay sales commissions and trailing commissions to these dealers and firms in connection with the sale of units of the Portfolio. These dealers and other firms may pay a portion of these sales commissions and trailing commissions to their advisors who sell units of the Portfolio to investors.

### *Portfolio Transactions*

The Portfolio may undertake currency and currency derivative transactions where CIBC WM, CIBC World Markets Corp., or any affiliate of CIBC is the counterparty (referred to as the *Related Party Transactions*) in reliance on the standing instructions issued by the Independent Review Committee (referred to as the *IRC*).

At least annually, the IRC reviews the Related Party Transactions for which they have issued standing instructions. The IRC is required to advise the Canadian securities regulatory authorities, after a matter has been referred to or reported to it by the Manager, if it determines that an investment decision was not made in accordance with conditions imposed by securities legislation or the IRC in any Related Party Transactions requiring its approval.

### *Custodian*

CIBC Mellon Trust Company is the custodian of the Portfolio (referred to as the *Custodian*). The Custodian holds cash and securities for the

Portfolio and ensures that those assets are kept separate from any other cash or securities that the Custodian might be holding. The Custodian also provides other services to the Portfolio including record-keeping and processing foreign exchange transactions. The fees and spreads for services of the Custodian are paid by the Manager. CIBC owns a 50% interest in the Custodian.

*Service Provider*

CIBC Mellon Global Securities Services Company (referred to as *CIBC GSS*) provides certain services to the Portfolio, including fund accounting and reporting, and portfolio valuation. Such servicing fees are paid by the Manager. CIBC indirectly owns a 50% interest in CIBC GSS.

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**Financial Highlights**

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Portfolio and are intended to help you understand the Portfolio's financial performance for the period ended August 31.

**The Portfolio's Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> - Class A Units**

**Inception date: March 15, 2005**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Net Assets, beginning of period</b>	\$ 16.47	\$ 18.52	\$ 16.38	\$ 15.54	\$ 15.57
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.41
Total expenses	(0.37)	(0.39)	(0.38)	(0.35)	(0.34)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.62	0.87	1.26	0.71	0.66
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.05	(2.82)	1.07	0.08	(0.41)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>2</sup></b>	\$ 0.74	\$ (1.83)	\$ 2.36	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.32
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
From dividends	-	0.05	-	-	0.01
From capital gains	0.38	0.13	0.21	-	0.37
Return of capital	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Distributions<sup>3</sup></b>	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.21	\$ -	\$ 0.38
<b>Net Assets, end of period</b>	\$ 16.84	\$ 16.47	\$ 18.52	\$ 16.38	\$ 15.54

**Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class A Units**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total Net Asset Value (000s)<sup>4</sup></b>	\$ 154,050	\$ 157,986	\$ 194,270	\$ 195,963	\$ 215,631
<b>Number of Units Outstanding<sup>4</sup></b>	9,150,598	9,590,050	10,489,834	11,961,864	13,876,040
<b>Management Expense Ratio<sup>5</sup></b>	2.20%	2.20%	2.20%	2.25%	2.25%
<b>Management Expense Ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>6</sup></b>	2.20%	2.20%	2.20%	2.25%	2.26%
<b>Trading Expense Ratio<sup>7</sup></b>	0.11%	0.07%	0.07%	0.11%	0.10%
<b>Portfolio Turnover Rate<sup>8</sup></b>	6.54%	10.96%	6.74%	12.42%	7.75%
<b>Net Asset Value per Unit</b>	\$ 16.84	\$ 16.47	\$ 18.52	\$ 16.38	\$ 15.54

**The Portfolio's Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> - Class T4 Units**

**Inception date: June 16, 2009**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Net Assets, beginning of period</b>	\$ 10.91	\$ 12.69	\$ 11.52	\$ 11.37	\$ 11.53
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	\$ 0.29	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.31
Total expenses	(0.24)	(0.26)	(0.26)	(0.25)	(0.25)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.41	0.60	0.88	0.51	0.49
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.06	(2.01)	0.75	(0.03)	(0.34)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>2</sup></b>	\$ 0.52	\$ (1.32)	\$ 1.65	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.21
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ 0.29	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.29
From dividends	-	0.01	-	-	-
From capital gains	0.09	0.17	-	-	0.13
Return of capital	0.08	-	0.15	0.14	0.02
<b>Total Distributions<sup>3</sup></b>	\$ 0.46	\$ 0.52	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.44
<b>Net Assets, end of period</b>	\$ 10.94	\$ 10.91	\$ 12.69	\$ 11.52	\$ 11.37

**Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class T4 Units**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total Net Asset Value (000s)<sup>4</sup></b>	\$ 1,077	\$ 1,251	\$ 1,182	\$ 1,101	\$ 1,456
<b>Number of Units Outstanding<sup>4</sup></b>	98,418	114,634	93,155	95,530	128,041
<b>Management Expense Ratio<sup>5</sup></b>	2.21%	2.20%	2.15%	2.22%	2.21%
<b>Management Expense Ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>6</sup></b>	2.21%	2.20%	2.17%	2.22%	2.21%
<b>Trading Expense Ratio<sup>7</sup></b>	0.11%	0.07%	0.07%	0.11%	0.10%
<b>Portfolio Turnover Rate<sup>8</sup></b>	6.54%	10.96%	6.74%	12.42%	7.75%
<b>Net Asset Value per Unit</b>	\$ 10.94	\$ 10.91	\$ 12.69	\$ 11.52	\$ 11.37

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**The Portfolio's Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> - Class T6 Units**

**Inception date: July 27, 2009**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Net Assets, beginning of period</b>	\$ 8.08	\$ 9.59	\$ 8.89	\$ 8.95	\$ 9.25
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.23
Total expenses	(0.17)	(0.20)	(0.20)	(0.19)	(0.19)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.30	0.44	0.66	0.39	0.36
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.03	(1.44)	0.58	0.01	(0.17)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>2</sup></b>	\$ 0.37	\$ (0.94)	\$ 1.25	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.23
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.33
From dividends	–	0.01	–	–	0.01
From capital gains	0.04	–	0.10	–	0.01
Return of capital	0.15	0.17	0.07	0.17	0.17
<b>Total Distributions<sup>3</sup></b>	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.57	\$ 0.55	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.52
<b>Net Assets, end of period</b>	\$ 7.93	\$ 8.08	\$ 9.59	\$ 8.89	\$ 8.95

**Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class T6 Units**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total Net Asset Value (000s)<sup>4</sup></b>	\$ 1,784	\$ 1,917	\$ 2,731	\$ 2,669	\$ 2,499
<b>Number of Units Outstanding<sup>4</sup></b>	224,984	237,316	284,837	300,347	279,246
<b>Management Expense Ratio<sup>5</sup></b>	2.17%	2.18%	2.15%	2.17%	2.16%
<b>Management Expense Ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>6</sup></b>	2.17%	2.18%	2.15%	2.17%	2.16%
<b>Trading Expense Ratio<sup>7</sup></b>	0.11%	0.07%	0.07%	0.11%	0.10%
<b>Portfolio Turnover Rate<sup>8</sup></b>	6.54%	10.96%	6.74%	12.42%	7.75%
<b>Net Asset Value per Unit</b>	\$ 7.93	\$ 8.08	\$ 9.59	\$ 8.89	\$ 8.95

**The Portfolio's Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> - Class T8 Units**

**Inception date: July 17, 2009**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Net Assets, beginning of period</b>	\$ 6.29	\$ 7.64	\$ 7.23	\$ 7.45	\$ 7.87
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.17	\$ 0.21
Total expenses	(0.14)	(0.16)	(0.16)	(0.16)	(0.17)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.23	0.36	0.56	0.33	0.33
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.02	(1.11)	0.47	(0.10)	(0.29)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>2</sup></b>	\$ 0.27	\$ (0.70)	\$ 1.05	\$ 0.24	\$ 0.08
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.38
From dividends	–	0.01	–	–	–
From capital gains	–	–	–	–	0.02
Return of capital	0.20	0.19	0.20	0.19	0.19
<b>Total Distributions<sup>3</sup></b>	\$ 0.53	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.59	\$ 0.59
<b>Net Assets, end of period</b>	\$ 6.04	\$ 6.29	\$ 7.64	\$ 7.23	\$ 7.45

**Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class T8 Units**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total Net Asset Value (000s)<sup>4</sup></b>	\$ 288	\$ 326	\$ 503	\$ 661	\$ 901
<b>Number of Units Outstanding<sup>4</sup></b>	47,574	51,754	65,776	91,421	120,962
<b>Management Expense Ratio<sup>5</sup></b>	2.24%	2.23%	2.22%	2.25%	2.24%
<b>Management Expense Ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>6</sup></b>	2.24%	2.23%	2.22%	2.25%	2.26%
<b>Trading Expense Ratio<sup>7</sup></b>	0.11%	0.07%	0.07%	0.11%	0.10%
<b>Portfolio Turnover Rate<sup>8</sup></b>	6.54%	10.96%	6.74%	12.42%	7.75%
<b>Net Asset Value per Unit</b>	\$ 6.04	\$ 6.29	\$ 7.64	\$ 7.23	\$ 7.45

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**The Portfolio's Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> - Select Class Units**

**Inception date: September 22, 2006**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Net Assets, beginning of period</b>	\$ 14.79	\$ 16.60	\$ 14.90	\$ 14.10	\$ 14.29
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.46	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.38
Total expenses	(0.30)	(0.32)	(0.32)	(0.29)	(0.28)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.56	0.78	1.15	0.64	0.61
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.05	(2.52)	0.95	–	(0.37)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>2</sup></b>	\$ 0.71	\$ (1.60)	\$ 2.15	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.34
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ –	\$ –	\$ –	\$ –	\$ –
From dividends	–	0.07	0.03	–	0.04
From capital gains	0.22	0.09	0.41	–	0.48
Return of capital	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Distributions<sup>3</sup></b>	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.44	\$ –	\$ 0.52
<b>Net Assets, end of period</b>	\$ 15.27	\$ 14.79	\$ 16.60	\$ 14.90	\$ 14.10

**Ratios and Supplemental Data - Select Class Units**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total Net Asset Value (000s)<sup>4</sup></b>	\$ 11,095	\$ 11,359	\$ 13,770	\$ 14,491	\$ 16,605
<b>Number of Units Outstanding<sup>4</sup></b>	726,778	767,960	829,595	972,785	1,177,656
<b>Management Expense Ratio<sup>5</sup></b>	2.01%	2.02%	2.03%	2.04%	2.04%
<b>Management Expense Ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>6</sup></b>	2.31%	2.32%	2.46%	2.51%	2.51%
<b>Trading Expense Ratio<sup>7</sup></b>	0.11%	0.07%	0.07%	0.11%	0.10%
<b>Portfolio Turnover Rate<sup>8</sup></b>	6.54%	10.96%	6.74%	12.42%	7.75%
<b>Net Asset Value per Unit</b>	\$ 15.27	\$ 14.79	\$ 16.60	\$ 14.90	\$ 14.10

**The Portfolio's Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> - Elite Class Units**

**Inception date: September 19, 2006**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Net Assets, beginning of period</b>	\$ 15.36	\$ 17.85	\$ 15.89	\$ 14.97	\$ 14.87
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.48	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.39
Total expenses	(0.23)	(0.25)	(0.26)	(0.23)	(0.22)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.58	0.82	1.21	0.68	0.63
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.05	(2.64)	1.04	–	(0.35)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>2</sup></b>	\$ 0.81	\$ (1.59)	\$ 2.38	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.45
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ –	\$ –	\$ –	\$ –	\$ –
From dividends	–	0.17	0.12	–	0.11
From capital gains	0.58	0.71	0.30	–	0.23
Return of capital	–	–	–	–	–
<b>Total Distributions<sup>3</sup></b>	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.88	\$ 0.42	\$ –	\$ 0.34
<b>Net Assets, end of period</b>	\$ 15.56	\$ 15.36	\$ 17.85	\$ 15.89	\$ 14.97

**Ratios and Supplemental Data - Elite Class Units**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total Net Asset Value (000s)<sup>4</sup></b>	\$ 8,464	\$ 8,392	\$ 10,369	\$ 9,734	\$ 10,845
<b>Number of Units Outstanding<sup>4</sup></b>	543,815	546,407	580,763	612,575	724,702
<b>Management Expense Ratio<sup>5</sup></b>	1.53%	1.53%	1.53%	1.52%	1.53%
<b>Management Expense Ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>6</sup></b>	1.77%	1.77%	1.88%	1.91%	1.91%
<b>Trading Expense Ratio<sup>7</sup></b>	0.11%	0.07%	0.07%	0.11%	0.10%
<b>Portfolio Turnover Rate<sup>8</sup></b>	6.54%	10.96%	6.74%	12.42%	7.75%
<b>Net Asset Value per Unit</b>	\$ 15.56	\$ 15.36	\$ 17.85	\$ 15.89	\$ 14.97



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<b>The Portfolio's Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> - Elite-T6 Class Units</b>						<b>Inception date: February 17, 2010</b>	
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019		
<b>Net Assets, beginning of period</b>	\$ 8.56	\$ 10.09	\$ 9.29	\$ 9.30	\$ 9.55		
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>							
Total revenue	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.25		
Total expenses	(0.13)	(0.15)	(0.15)	(0.14)	(0.14)		
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.32	0.48	0.70	0.42	0.40		
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.02	(1.53)	0.58	(0.19)	(0.28)		
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>2</sup></b>	\$ 0.44	\$ (0.92)	\$ 1.35	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.23		
<b>Distributions:</b>							
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.35		
From dividends	–	0.03	0.02	–	0.02		
From capital gains	–	0.15	–	–	0.09		
Return of capital	0.20	0.02	0.17	0.17	0.08		
<b>Total Distributions<sup>3</sup></b>	\$ 0.54	\$ 0.59	\$ 0.57	\$ 0.55	\$ 0.54		
<b>Net Assets, end of period</b>	\$ 8.46	\$ 8.56	\$ 10.09	\$ 9.29	\$ 9.30		

**Ratios and Supplemental Data - Elite-T6 Class Units**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total Net Asset Value (000s)<sup>4</sup></b>	\$ 450	\$ 484	\$ 695	\$ 722	\$ 985
<b>Number of Units Outstanding<sup>4</sup></b>	53,213	56,460	68,884	77,732	105,986
<b>Management Expense Ratio<sup>5</sup></b>	1.58%	1.56%	1.55%	1.53%	1.52%
<b>Management Expense Ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>6</sup></b>	1.82%	1.80%	1.91%	1.91%	1.90%
<b>Trading Expense Ratio<sup>7</sup></b>	0.11%	0.07%	0.07%	0.11%	0.10%
<b>Portfolio Turnover Rate<sup>8</sup></b>	6.54%	10.96%	6.74%	12.42%	7.75%
<b>Net Asset Value per Unit</b>	\$ 8.46	\$ 8.56	\$ 10.09	\$ 9.29	\$ 9.30

<b>The Portfolio's Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> - Class F Units</b>						<b>Inception date: April 22, 2005</b>	
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019		
<b>Net Assets, beginning of period</b>	\$ 18.77	\$ 21.21	\$ 18.54	\$ 17.37	\$ 17.27		
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>							
Total revenue	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.52	\$ 0.46	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.47		
Total expenses	(0.19)	(0.20)	(0.20)	(0.18)	(0.16)		
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.72	0.85	1.43	0.79	0.75		
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.05	(3.45)	1.22	0.05	(0.46)		
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>2</sup></b>	\$ 1.08	\$ (2.28)	\$ 2.91	\$ 1.08	\$ 0.60		
<b>Distributions:</b>							
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ –	\$ –	\$ –	\$ –	\$ –		
From dividends	–	0.31	0.24	–	0.19		
From capital gains	0.31	0.26	–	–	0.30		
Return of capital	–	–	–	–	–		
<b>Total Distributions<sup>3</sup></b>	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.57	\$ 0.24	\$ –	\$ 0.49		
<b>Net Assets, end of period</b>	\$ 19.53	\$ 18.77	\$ 21.21	\$ 18.54	\$ 17.37		

**Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class F Units**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total Net Asset Value (000s)<sup>4</sup></b>	\$ 12,883	\$ 13,242	\$ 9,719	\$ 10,044	\$ 10,524
<b>Number of Units Outstanding<sup>4</sup></b>	659,633	705,687	458,168	541,796	605,848
<b>Management Expense Ratio<sup>5</sup></b>	1.02%	1.03%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%
<b>Management Expense Ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>6</sup></b>	1.02%	1.03%	1.09%	1.13%	1.14%
<b>Trading Expense Ratio<sup>7</sup></b>	0.11%	0.07%	0.07%	0.11%	0.10%
<b>Portfolio Turnover Rate<sup>8</sup></b>	6.54%	10.96%	6.74%	12.42%	7.75%
<b>Net Asset Value per Unit</b>	\$ 19.53	\$ 18.77	\$ 21.21	\$ 18.54	\$ 17.37

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**The Portfolio's Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> - Class FT4 Units**

**Inception date: September 21, 2017**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Net Assets, beginning of period</b>	\$ 8.68	\$ 10.41	\$ 9.41	\$ 9.31	\$ 9.45
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.18	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.24
Total expenses	(0.06)	(0.03)	(0.08)	(0.09)	(0.10)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.15	0.30	0.70	0.29	0.29
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.21	(0.64)	0.65	0.07	(0.22)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>2</sup></b>	\$ 0.38	\$ (0.19)	\$ 1.50	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.21
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ 0.23	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.23
From dividends	–	0.04	0.03	–	–
From capital gains	–	0.48	0.14	–	–
Return of capital	0.14	–	–	0.12	0.13
<b>Total Distributions<sup>3</sup></b>	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.36
<b>Net Assets, end of period</b>	\$ 8.80	\$ 8.68	\$ 10.41	\$ 9.41	\$ 9.31

**Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class FT4 Units**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total Net Asset Value (000s)<sup>4</sup></b>	\$ 39	\$ –	\$ 377	\$ –	\$ –
<b>Number of Units Outstanding<sup>4</sup></b>	4,448	1	36,228	1	1
<b>Management Expense Ratio<sup>5</sup></b>	1.07%	1.06%	1.06%	1.04%	1.04%
<b>Management Expense Ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>6</sup></b>	1.07%	1.07%	1.10%	1.04%	1.04%
<b>Trading Expense Ratio<sup>7</sup></b>	0.11%	0.07%	0.07%	0.11%	0.10%
<b>Portfolio Turnover Rate<sup>8</sup></b>	6.54%	10.96%	6.74%	12.42%	7.75%
<b>Net Asset Value per Unit</b>	\$ 8.80	\$ 8.68	\$ 10.41	\$ 9.41	\$ 9.31

**The Portfolio's Net Assets per Unit<sup>1</sup> - Class FT6 Units**

**Inception date: September 21, 2017**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Net Assets, beginning of period</b>	\$ 8.10	\$ 9.51	\$ 8.89	\$ 9.03	\$ 9.37
<b>Increase (decrease) from operations:</b>					
Total revenue	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.19	\$ 0.23
Total expenses	(0.08)	(0.04)	(0.10)	(0.09)	(0.09)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.31	0.07	0.51	0.27	0.28
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.01	(0.80)	0.56	0.07	(0.21)
<b>Total increase (decrease) from operations<sup>2</sup></b>	\$ 0.46	\$ (0.70)	\$ 1.17	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.21
<b>Distributions:</b>					
From income (excluding dividends)	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.39	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.35
From dividends	–	–	–	–	–
From capital gains	0.11	–	–	–	–
Return of capital	0.08	0.18	0.18	0.17	0.19
<b>Total Distributions<sup>3</sup></b>	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.57	\$ 0.55	\$ 0.54	\$ 0.54
<b>Net Assets, end of period</b>	\$ 8.04	\$ 8.10	\$ 9.51	\$ 8.89	\$ 9.03

**Ratios and Supplemental Data - Class FT6 Units**

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
<b>Total Net Asset Value (000s)<sup>4</sup></b>	\$ 53	\$ 73	\$ –	\$ –	\$ –
<b>Number of Units Outstanding<sup>4</sup></b>	6,598	8,960	1	1	1
<b>Management Expense Ratio<sup>5</sup></b>	1.04%	1.05%	1.04%	1.04%	1.04%
<b>Management Expense Ratio before waivers or absorptions<sup>6</sup></b>	1.04%	1.05%	1.04%	1.04%	1.04%
<b>Trading Expense Ratio<sup>7</sup></b>	0.11%	0.07%	0.07%	0.11%	0.10%
<b>Portfolio Turnover Rate<sup>8</sup></b>	6.54%	10.96%	6.74%	12.42%	7.75%
<b>Net Asset Value per Unit</b>	\$ 8.04	\$ 8.10	\$ 9.51	\$ 8.89	\$ 9.03

<sup>1</sup> This information is derived from the Portfolio's audited annual financial statements.

<sup>2</sup> Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The total increase (decrease) from operations is based on the weighted average number of units outstanding during the period.

<sup>3</sup> Distributions were paid in cash, reinvested in additional units of the Portfolio, or both.

<sup>4</sup> This information is presented as at August 31 of the period(s) shown.

<sup>5</sup> Management expense ratio is based on the total expenses of the fund (excluding commissions and other portfolio transaction costs), incurred by or allocated to a class of units for the period shown, expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value of that class during the period.



- <sup>6</sup> The decision to waive management fees is at the discretion of the Manager. The practice of waiving management fees may continue indefinitely or may be terminated at any time without notice to unitholders. The management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions includes the fees attributable to exchange traded funds, where applicable.
- <sup>7</sup> The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs before income taxes expressed as an annualized percentage of the daily average net asset value during the period.
- <sup>8</sup> The portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the portfolio advisor manages the portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to a fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the period. The higher a portfolio turnover rate in a period, the greater the trading costs payable by a fund in the period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a fund.

### Management Fees

The Portfolio pays CAMI an annual management fee to cover the costs of managing the Portfolio. Management fees are based on the Portfolio's net asset value and are calculated daily and paid monthly. Management fees are paid to CAMI in consideration for providing, or arranging for the provision of, management, distribution, and portfolio advisory services. Advertising and promotional expenses, office overhead expenses related to the Manager's activities, and trailing commissions are paid by CAMI out of the management fees received from the Portfolio. The Portfolio is required to pay applicable taxes on the management fees paid to CAMI. Refer to the simplified prospectus for the annual management fee rate for each class of units. No management fees or incentive fees are payable by the Portfolio that, to a reasonable person, would duplicate a fee payable by an Underlying Fund for the same service.

The following table shows a breakdown of the services received in consideration of the management fees, as a percentage of the management fees collected from the Portfolio for the period ended August 31, 2023. These amounts do not include waived fees or absorbed expenses.

	Class A Units	Class T4 Units	Class T6 Units	Class T8 Units	Select Class Units
Sales and trailing commissions paid to dealers	44.15%	44.34%	46.07%	42.71%	44.37%
General administration, investment advice, and profit	55.85%	55.66%	53.93%	57.29%	55.63%

	Elite Class Units	Elite-T6 Class Units	Class F Units	Class FT4 Units	Class FT6 Units
Sales and trailing commissions paid to dealers	45.17%	46.42%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
General administration, investment advice, and profit	54.83%	53.58%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

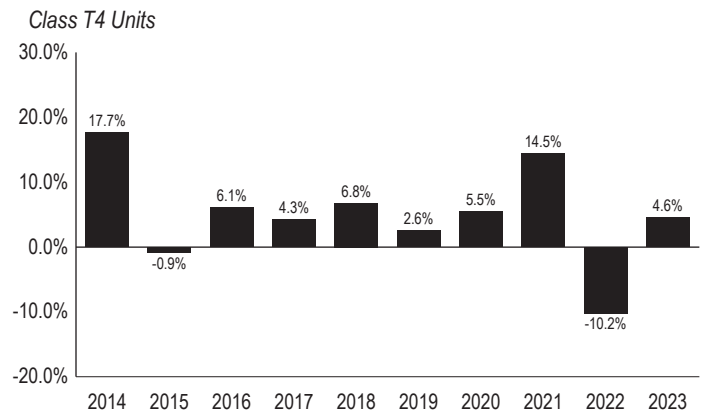
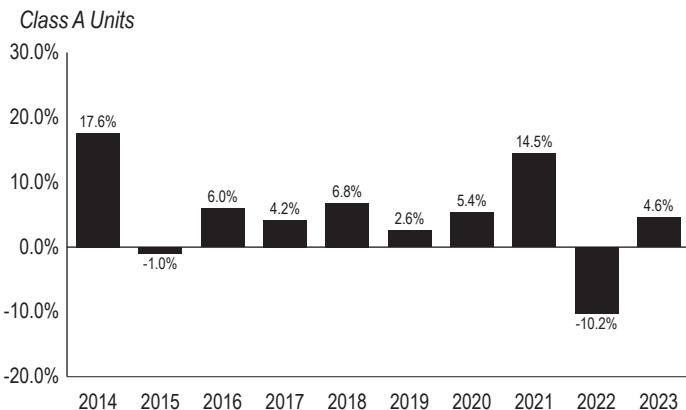
### Past Performance

The performance data provided assumes reinvestment of distributions only and does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution, or other optional charges payable by any unitholder that would have reduced returns. Past performance does not necessarily indicate how a fund will perform in the future.

The Portfolio's returns are after the deduction of fees and expenses, and the difference in returns between classes of units is primarily due to differences in the management expense ratio. See *Financial Highlights* section for the management expense ratio.

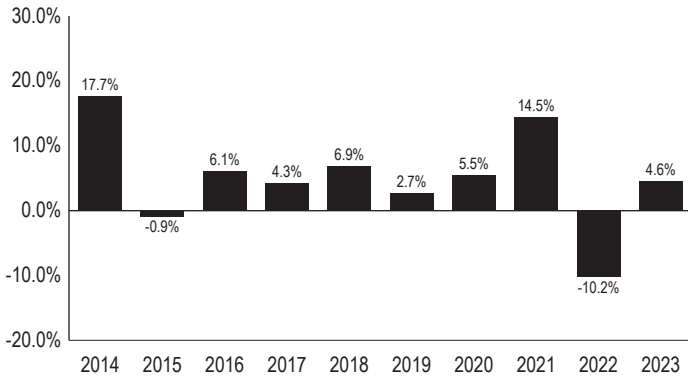
### Year-by-Year Returns

The bar charts show the annual performance of each class of units of the Portfolio for each of the periods shown, and illustrate how the performance has changed from period to period. The bar charts show, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on September 1 would have increased or decreased by August 31, unless otherwise indicated.

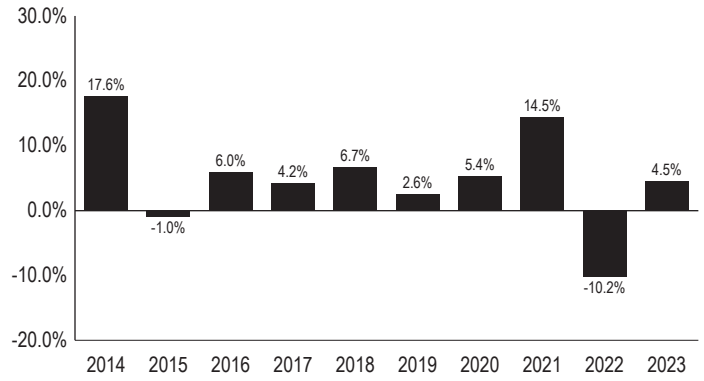


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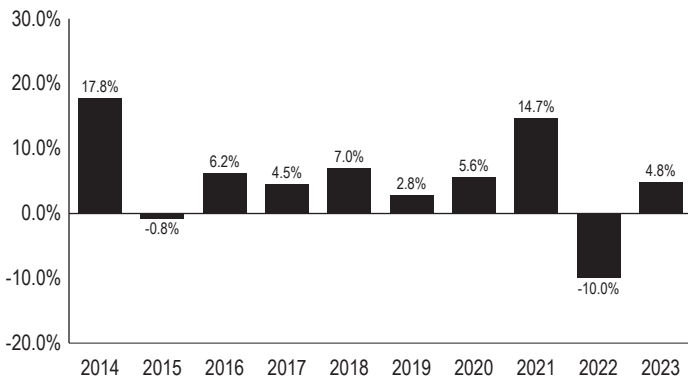
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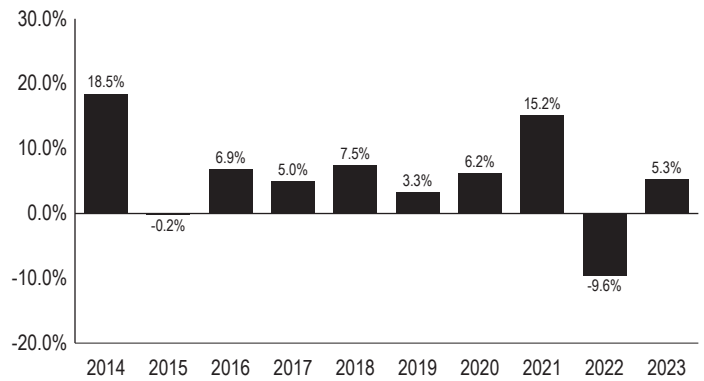
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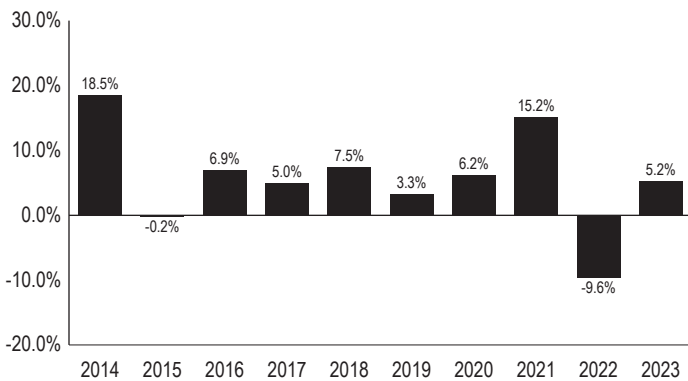
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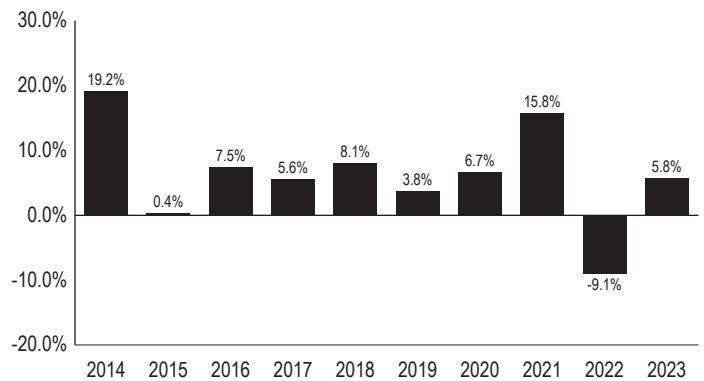
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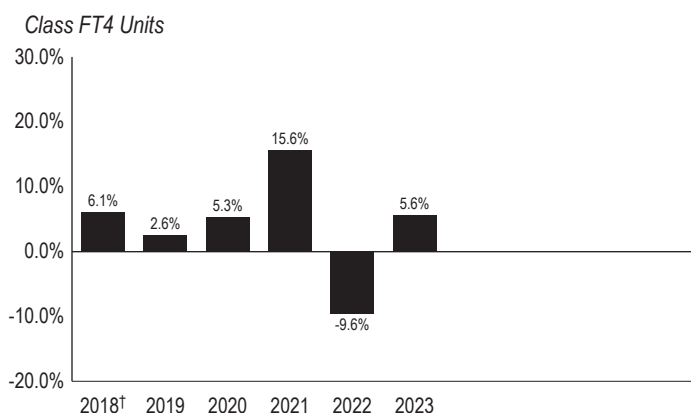
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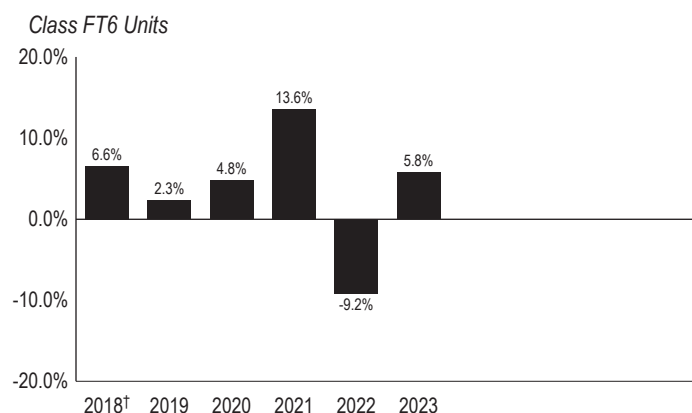
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† 2018 return is for the period from September 21, 2017 to August 31, 2018.



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### Annual Compound Returns

This table shows the annual compound return of each class of units of the Portfolio for each indicated period ended on August 31, 2023. The annual compound return is compared to the Portfolio's benchmark(s).

The Portfolio's primary benchmarks are the FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index and the S&P/TSX Composite Index.

The Portfolio's blended benchmark (referred to as *Blended Benchmark*) is comprised of the following:

- 32% S&P/TSX Composite Index
- 30% FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index
- 12% S&P 500 Index
- 8% MSCI EAFE Index
- 8% S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index
- 5% FTSE World Government Bond Index (Hedged to CAD)
- 5% MSCI Emerging Markets Index

	1 Year (%)	3 Years (%)	5 Years (%)	10 Years* (%)	or Since Inception* (%)	Inception Date
Class A units	4.6	2.4	3.1	4.8		March 15, 2005
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	0.8	(4.2)	0.4	2.0		
S&P/TSX Composite Index	8.6	10.4	7.8	8.1		
Blended Benchmark	7.8	4.9	5.5	6.9		
Class T4 units	4.6	2.5	3.1	4.8		June 16, 2009
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	0.8	(4.2)	0.4	2.0		
S&P/TSX Composite Index	8.6	10.4	7.8	8.1		
Blended Benchmark	7.8	4.9	5.5	6.9		
Class T6 units	4.6	2.5	3.1	4.9		July 27, 2009
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	0.8	(4.2)	0.4	2.0		
S&P/TSX Composite Index	8.6	10.4	7.8	8.1		
Blended Benchmark	7.8	4.9	5.5	6.9		
Class T8 units	4.5	2.4	3.0	4.8		July 17, 2009
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	0.8	(4.2)	0.4	2.0		
S&P/TSX Composite Index	8.6	10.4	7.8	8.1		
Blended Benchmark	7.8	4.9	5.5	6.9		
Select Class units	4.8	2.6	3.3	5.0		September 22, 2006
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	0.8	(4.2)	0.4	2.0		
S&P/TSX Composite Index	8.6	10.4	7.8	8.1		
Blended Benchmark	7.8	4.9	5.5	6.9		
Elite Class units	5.3	3.1	3.8	5.6		September 19, 2006
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	0.8	(4.2)	0.4	2.0		
S&P/TSX Composite Index	8.6	10.4	7.8	8.1		
Blended Benchmark	7.8	4.9	5.5	6.9		

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	1 Year (%)	3 Years (%)	5 Years (%)	10 Years* (%)	or Since Inception* (%)	Inception Date
Elite-T6 Class units	5.2	3.1	3.8	5.5		February 17, 2010
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	0.8	(4.2)	0.4	2.0		
S&P/TSX Composite Index	8.6	10.4	7.8	8.1		
Blended Benchmark	7.8	4.9	5.5	6.9		
Class F units	5.8	3.7	4.3	6.1		April 22, 2005
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	0.8	(4.2)	0.4	2.0		
S&P/TSX Composite Index	8.6	10.4	7.8	8.1		
Blended Benchmark	7.8	4.9	5.5	6.9		
Class FT4 units	5.6	3.4	3.6		4.0	September 21, 2017
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	0.8	(4.2)	0.4		0.7	
S&P/TSX Composite Index	8.6	10.4	7.8		7.9	
Blended Benchmark	7.8	4.9	5.5		5.8	
Class FT6 units	5.8	2.9	3.2		3.8	September 21, 2017
FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index	0.8	(4.2)	0.4		0.7	
S&P/TSX Composite Index	8.6	10.4	7.8		7.9	
Blended Benchmark	7.8	4.9	5.5		5.8	

\* If a class of units has been outstanding for less than 10 years, the annual compound return since inception is shown.

**FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index** is comprised of marketable Canadian bonds intended to reflect the performance of the broad Canadian investment-grade bond market. Returns are calculated daily and are weighted by market capitalization.

**FTSE World Government Bond Index (Hedged to CAD)** measures the performance of fixed-rate, local currency, investment-grade sovereign bonds. It currently includes sovereign debt from over 20 countries, denominated in a variety of currencies, and has more than 30 years of history available. Hedged to CAD represents a close estimation of the performance that can be achieved by hedging the currency exposures of the index, FTSE World Government Bond Index, to CAD.

**MSCI EAFE Index** is a free float-adjusted market capitalization Index of stocks of companies of developed market equity indices covering 21 different countries in Europe, Australia, and the Far East.

**MSCI Emerging Markets Index** is a free float-adjusted market capitalization index that is intended to represent the emerging countries equity market. It includes stocks from emerging countries in Asia, Latin America, Europe, Africa, and the Middle East.

**S&P 500 Index** is a capitalization-weighted index of 500 stocks, designed to measure performance of the broad U.S. economy representing all major industries.

**S&P/TSX Composite Dividend Index** aims to provide a broad-based benchmark of Canadian dividend-paying stocks. It includes all stocks in the S&P/TSX Composite Index with positive annual dividend yields as of the latest rebalancing of the S&P/TSX Composite Index.

**S&P/TSX Composite Index** is intended to represent the Canadian equity market and includes the largest companies listed on the TSX.

A discussion of the Portfolio's relative performance compared to its Blended Benchmark can be found in *Results of Operations*.

### Summary of Investment Portfolio (as at August 31, 2023)

The Portfolio invests in units of its Underlying Funds. You can find the prospectus and additional information about the Underlying Funds by visiting [www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca).

The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the investment fund. A quarterly update is available by visiting [www.renaissanceinvestments.ca](http://www.renaissanceinvestments.ca). The Top Positions table shows a fund's 25 largest positions. For funds with fewer than 25 positions in total, all positions are shown.

Portfolio Breakdown	% of Net Asset Value	Top Positions	% of Net Asset Value
Canadian Equity Mutual Funds	40.2	CIBC Canadian Equity Private Pool, Class 'O'	32.1
Canadian Bond Mutual Funds	29.3	CIBC Canadian Fixed Income Private Pool, Class 'O'	29.3
International Equity Mutual Funds	13.0	CIBC U.S. Equity Private Pool, Class 'O'	12.1
U.S. Equity Mutual Funds	12.1	CIBC Equity Income Private Pool, Class 'O'	8.1
International Bond Mutual Funds	5.0	CIBC International Equity Private Pool, Class 'O'	8.0
Cash	0.5	CIBC Emerging Markets Equity Private Pool, Class 'O'	5.0
Other Assets, less Liabilities	(0.1)	CIBC Global Bond Private Pool, Class 'O'	5.0
		Cash	0.5
		Other Assets, less Liabilities	(0.1)

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