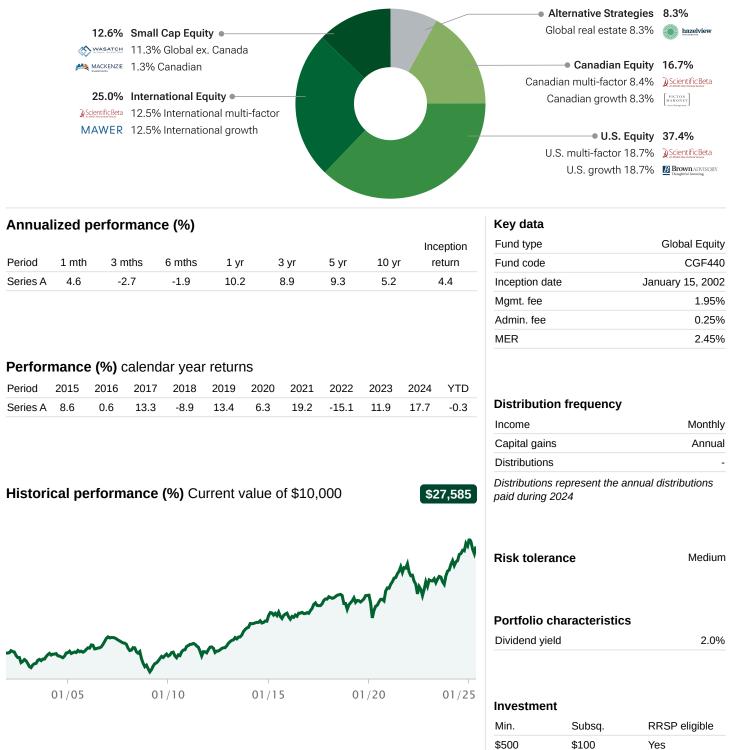
May 31, 2025

A globally diversified portfolio that seeks to maximize long-term capital appreciation potential by investing in securities of a variety of global equity mutual funds.

Is this portfolio right for you?

- A neutral investment strategy with a focus on long-term capital appreciation.
- Provides exposure to Canadian, U.S. and international equities.
- Monthly distributions.

Neutral portfolio allocation¹



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How the fund is invested² as at Mar 31, 2025



Asset allocation	(%)
US Equity	50.8
International Equity	30.7
Canadian Equity	13.1
Cash and Equivalents	3.9
Income Trust Units	1.6



Geographic allocation	(%)
United States	51.0
Canada	17.3
Japan	6.4
United Kingdom	5.0
India	2.0
Germany	1.7
Netherlands	1.7
Switzerland	1.6
France	1.5
Other	12.0



Sector allocation	(%)
Technology	22.5
Financial Services	16.9
Real Estate	10.5
Consumer Services	9.1
Healthcare	9.1
Consumer Goods	5.9
Industrial Goods	5.2
Industrial Services	4.6
Basic Materials	4.4
Other	11.9

Top holdings

Underlying funds/holdings	(%) of NAV
Counsel Multi-Factor U.S. Equity	21.1
Counsel U.S. Growth Equity	18.9
Counsel Multi-Factor International Equity	12.0
Counsel Global Small Cap	11.6
Counsel International Growth	10.2
Counsel Global Real Estate	7.3
Counsel Multi-Factor Canadian Equity	6.8
Counsel Canadian Growth	6.5
Counsel Enhanced Global Equity	5.7

Amazon.com Inc1.7Microsoft Corp1.6NVIDIA Corp1.4Visa Inc Cl A1.0Intuit Inc0.9Alphabet Inc Cl A0.9Progressive Corp0.8BayCurrent Consulting Inc0.8Arthur J Gallagher & Co0.8KKR & Co Inc0.8	Top equity holdings	(%) of NAV
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Why Invest with Counsel Portfolios

Our Portfolio Management team builds and maintains our portfolios based on in-depth analysis to align to a broad range of investor risk profiles. We take an unbiased approach when choosing our money managers by incorporating a proprietary and disciplined methodology for researching and selecting independent asset managers from across the globe. Each manager is monitored and held accountable to their mandate to help ensure our investors have the best chance at achieving their financial goals.

Q1 2025 Fund Commentary

Market Commentary

Global equities declined in the first quarter of 2025 while global bonds posted a modest gain (all returns in Canadian-dollar terms on a total return basis). Trade and policy changes from the new U.S. presidential administration raised concerns about a potential recession in the U.S.

The implementation of several tariffs by the U.S. affected key trading partners, including Canada, China and Mexico. Anticipation of retaliatory tariffs, which were to be enacted after the quarter-end, also weighed heavily on investor sentiment. As a result, the U.S. equity market posted a mid-single-digit loss, with the consumer discretionary sector performing weakly.

In contrast, Canadian equities gained, with the materials sector leading. Europe, Australasia, and the Far East (EAFE) equities also gained, outperforming both Canadian and U.S. equities, and driven by strong performances from Spain and Italy.

Emerging markets equities also rose but lagged their developed market peers, with notable gains from South Korea and Brazil.

The FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index gained 2.0%. Government bond prices rose as sovereign yields declined, outperforming corporate bonds, which also posted gains. However, corporate bond prices were impacted by widening credit spreads (the difference in yield between corporate and government bonds).

Within the corporate sector, infrastructure bonds saw the largest increase. High-yield bonds posted gains but underperformed investment-grade corporate bonds.

Global bond yields declined over the quarter, leading to an increase in global bond prices. The Bank of Canada, European Central Bank and Bank of England lowered their policy interest rates. The U.S. Federal Reserve Board maintained its rates, while the Bank of Japan raised its policy interest rate.

The yield on 10-year Government of Canada bonds fell by 25 basis points, from 3.22% to 2.97%, mirroring the decline in U.S. yields. In contrast, sovereign yields in the U.K., Germany and Japan increased.

Outlook

The most significant development so far in 2025 was the escalation in trade tensions, which suggests a major shift in the structure of global markets. The tariff-driven economic slowdown and weaker business sentiment have led to downward gross domestic product revisions. However, the latest activity data suggests a more resilient economy than initially anticipated.

The current global equity correction has similarities with past episodes where inflation and restrictive trade policies led to weakness before markets eventually stabilized. The sub-advisor believes 2025 should be a year of slower but positive growth, with opportunities emerging as policy uncertainty clears.

Given the stronger-than-expected escalation in trade tensions, the sub-advisor is lowering expectations for U.S. equities. The sub-advisor is adjusting positioning accordingly but recognizes the potential for recovery once macroeconomic concerns ease. History suggests volatility driven by trade concerns often resolves once underlying economic data stabilizes.

With the ongoing market uncertainty, the sub-advisor has emphasized sector diversification to limit exposure to market declines while keeping long-term exposure to recovery opportunities. Despite the uncertainty, the sub-advisor has a positive long-term stance on equities.

The sub-advisor believes the current environment underscores the importance of a globally diversified investment strategy that remains focused on long-term objectives.

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