

# ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT OF FUND PERFORMANCE

For the period ended December 31, 2022

Global Equity Fund  
**NBI U.S. Equity Fund**

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## Management Discussion of Fund Performance

### Investment Objective and Strategies

The NBI U.S. Equity Fund's investment objective is to ensure long-term capital growth. The Fund invests directly, or through investments in securities of other mutual funds, in a portfolio comprised mainly of equity securities of U.S. companies.

The portfolio manager analyzes stocks from U.S. companies and in companies conducting business in the U.S. The Fund invests primarily in common shares, but may also invest in preferred shares, bonds and Treasury bills. The portfolio manager uses a mix of strategies in selecting investments for the Fund.

### Risks

The global investment risk of the Fund remains as described in the simplified prospectus or any amendments thereto and Fund Facts.

### Results of Operations

For the twelve-month period ended December 31, 2022, the NBI U.S. Equity Fund's Investor Series units returned -10.95% compared to -12.16% for the Fund's benchmark, the S&P 500 Index (CAD). Unlike the benchmark, the Fund's performance is calculated after fees and expenses. Please see the *Past Performance* section for the returns of all of the Fund's series, which may vary mainly because of fees and expenses.

Certain series of the Fund, as applicable, may make distributions at a rate determined by the manager. This rate may change from time to time. If the aggregate amount of distributions in such series exceeds the portion of net income and net realized capital gains allocated to such series, the excess will constitute a return of capital. The manager does not believe that the return of capital distributions made by such series of the Fund have a meaningful impact on the Fund's ability to implement its investment strategy or to fulfill its investment objective.

The Fund's net asset value dropped by 2.11% over the period, from \$984.98 million as at December 31, 2021 to \$964.16 million as at December 31, 2022.

Financial markets experienced some notable volatility in 2022 as decades-high inflation prompted an unwavering tightening campaign from major central banks and threatened to bring the global economy to a standstill. Both stocks and bonds posted negative, double-digit losses for the year, something not seen in the past 50 years.

Global equity markets endured their worst annual performance since the global financial crisis. Valuations were crushed around the globe as central banks embarked on the most aggressive tightening campaign in decades, which stoked recession risks and weighed on risky assets. The MSCI All Country World tumbled -19.8% in 2022. Regionally, losses were widespread across the globe. The S&P 500 fell -19.4%, the MSCI EAFE lost -16.8%, and the MSCI Emerging Markets index tumbled -22.4%, led by China (-23.6%) given property sector woes and strict Covid lockdowns. Meanwhile, the S&P/TSX outperformed its global peers (-8.7%) given solid performance in the heavyweight commodities space that helped to offset broad based weakness elsewhere.

Indeed, sector compositions largely explained the relative performance of major regional benchmarks last year. The energy sector was by far the strongest performing sector in 2022 and even managed to generate positive, double-digit returns versus negative returns for most other sectors. Elsewhere, defensive-oriented sectors such as consumer staples, gold, and utilities outperformed their cyclical peers (consumer discretionary, financials, technology, and communication services) as risk aversion took hold. Some of these latter sectors are more sensitive to rising interest rates, with global communication services (dominated by Alphabet, Meta, and Tencent), consumer discretionary (Amazon), and "traditional" information technology suffering relatively larger losses as soaring interest rates weighed on the valuations of these longer-duration tech sectors.

Under these circumstances, the Fund outperformed its benchmark.

Our relative outperformance was mainly driven by our stock selection in the Consumer Discretionary and Information Technology sectors. Partially offsetting these positives was our security selection in the Industrials and Financials Sectors sector as well as our lack of exposure to the outperforming Energy sector.

Among the top contributors to the performance were AutoZone and UnitedHealth Group. Conversely, among the bottom detractors were Alphabet and Microsoft.

AutoZone's stock outperformed primarily driven by the impressive acceleration of the company's commercial business, posting same-store sales growth far exceeding expectations, while its retail segment's Same Store Sales have climbed back into positive territory, following exceptional strength in recent pandemic years. The leading retailer and distributor of automotive replacement parts and accessories remains committed to its mega-hub strategy, having significantly increased its mega-hub expansion targets. The company has also demonstrated an ability to price in inflationary pressures.

UnitedHealth Group posted broad-based solid results throughout the period. Results continued to reassure despite the surge of omicron cases and resulting hospitalization costs, offset by higher care deferral, as seen in previous peaks. The company, furthermore, announced at the end of the first quarter its intention to acquire LHC Group, the second-largest provider of home health services, subject to approval of LHC's shareholders, a deal very consistent with its vertical integration strategy. Lastly, UNH achieved good business development efforts in the third quarter by striking a 10-year deal with Walmart, as the giant retailer will use the company's Optum technology & services to power its value-base care offering in in-store clinics.

Alphabet's stock underperformed as the company reported results that came in below expectations and negatively revised earnings. The US-based multinational tech giant continues to be faced with short term macro challenges and FX headwinds. The company remains committed to spending on innovation throughout the market cycle, while at the same time have not meaningfully slowed down hirings, staying focused on the business long-term, despite the impact being negative on margins short term.

Microsoft detracted slightly over the second half of the period after a slightly disappointing quarterly report. Results were largely in-line with consensus expectations, but the major negative surprise was the deceleration in Azure, the cloud-computing platform. Though largely anticipated, the company also saw a deceleration in the PC unit. While the FX and the macro environment contributed to the slight Azure slowdown, we continue to see the business being a key long-term growth driver. The company continues to execute, also with continued capex and buybacks on the horizon.

### Recent Developments

During the period, we initiated a position in Adobe and exited our positions in US Bancorp and Ecolab. Adobe is a high-quality software name that the team has been closely following for several years. It exhibits ubiquitous software brands such as Photoshop, Illustrator and Premiere. A recent sell-off of technology names presented us with an opportunity to initiate a position at an attractive valuation.

Furthermore, throughout the period we trimmed our positions in PepsiCo, United Health Group, AutoZone and Colgate Palmolive, while adding to our positions in CME Group, Microsoft and Lowe's.

As we enter the first quarter of 2023, we remain underweight Information Technology, Energy and Communication Services as we continue to find more attractive investment opportunities in other sectors, including Consumer Discretionary, Health Care and Industrials.

Our investment horizon is best measured in years, conceivably decades, not months or quarters. Our focus continues to be on identifying what we believe to be high-quality companies with sustainable competitive advantages, operating in industries with high barriers to entry, contributing to durable pricing power.

On or about February 1st, 2022, Fiera Capital Corporation retained the services of StonePine Asset Management Inc., a firm controlled and led by Nadim Rizk, to delegate its portfolio management functions for the Fund. Fiera Capital Corporation is responsible for the investment advice given by StonePine Asset Management Inc.

On April 30, 2022, the Fund's independent review committee (the "IRC") was reduced to three members when Robert Martin resigned as IRC member. On May 1, 2022, the Fund's IRC was increased to four members when Line Deslandes was appointed as IRC member. However, on September 30, 2022, the Fund's IRC was reduced to three members when Line Deslandes resigned as IRC member.

On May 20, 2022, NBI discontinued the purchase offering of deferred sales charge and low sales charge purchase options for all new investments, including purchases made through systematic plans in all Canadian jurisdictions. Investors who purchased units under these sales charge options will continue to be subject to the redemption fee schedules under which they were purchased.

## Related Party Transactions

National Bank of Canada ("the Bank") and its affiliated companies' roles and responsibilities related to the Fund are as follows:

### Trustee, Custodian, and Registrar

Natcan Trust Company ("NTC"), a direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank, is the Fund's trustee. In this capacity, it is the legal owner of the Fund's investments.

NTC acts as registrar for the Fund's securities and the names of securityholders. NTC also acts as the Fund's custodian. The fees for NTC's custodial services are based on the standard rates in effect at NTC.

### Agent for securities lending transactions

NTC acts as the agent for securities lending transactions acts on behalf of the Fund in administering securities lending transactions entered into by the Fund. NTC is an affiliate of the Manager.

### Fund Manager

The Fund is managed by National Bank Investments Inc. ("NBII"), which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank. Therefore, NBII provides or ensures the provision of all general management and administrative services required by the Fund's current operations, including investment consulting, the arrangement of brokerage contracts for the purchase and sale of the investment portfolio, bookkeeping and other administrative services required by the Fund.

The Manager pays the operating expenses of the Fund other than its "Fund costs" (defined below) (the "variable operating expenses"), in exchange for the Fund's payment to the Manager of annual fixed-rate administration fees with respect to each series of the Fund.

The administration fees are equal to a specified percentage of the net asset value of each series of the Fund, calculated and paid in the same manner as the Fund's management fees. The variable operating expenses payable by the Manager include, but are not limited to: transfer agency and recordkeeping costs; custodial costs; accounting and valuation fees; audit fees and legal fees; costs of preparing and distributing financial reports, simplified prospectuses, annual information forms, Fund Facts, continuous disclosure material and other securityholder communications; and costs of trustee services relating to registered tax plans, as applicable.

In addition to administration fees, the Fund shall also pay certain Fund costs, namely: taxes (including, but not limited to, GST/HST and income taxes); costs of compliance with any changes to existing governmental or regulatory requirements introduced after August 1, 2013; costs of compliance with any new governmental or regulatory requirements, including any new fees introduced after August 1, 2013; interest and borrowing costs; costs related to external services that were not commonly charged in the Canadian mutual fund industry as at August 1, 2013; Independent Review Committee costs, including compensation paid to IRC members, travel expenses, insurance premiums and costs associated with their continuing education; and variable operating expenses incurred outside of the normal course of business of the Fund.

The Manager may, from time to time and at its sole discretion, decide to absorb a portion of a series' management fees, administration fees or Fund costs.

As described under the heading *Management Fees*, the Fund pays annual management fees to NBII as consideration for its services.

## Distribution and Dealer Compensation

NBII acts as principal distributor for the Fund. In this capacity, NBII buys, sells and swaps securities through Bank branches and the National Bank Investments Advisory Service in Canadian provinces and territories, and through external registered representatives. Fund securities are also offered by National Bank Financial Inc. (including its division National Bank Direct Brokerage), CABN Investments (a division of NBII) and other affiliated entities. Brokers may receive, depending on the distributed series, a monthly commission representing a percentage of the average daily value of the securities held by their clients.

### Brokerage Fees

The Fund may pay broker's commissions at market rates to a corporation affiliated with NBII. The brokerage fees paid by the Fund for the period are as follows:

	Period ended December 31, 2022
<b>Total brokerage fees</b>	37,244.63
<b>Brokerage fees paid to National Bank Financial</b>	-

### Holdings

As at December 31, 2022, National Bank Investments Inc. held 100.59 Fund securities for a value of \$3,885.96, which represented close to 0.0004% of the net asset value of the Fund at that date. Transactions between National Bank Investments Inc. and the Fund were carried out in the normal course of business and at the Fund's net asset value as at the transaction date.

As at December 31, 2022, National Bank Trust Inc. held 1.01 Fund securities for a value of \$38.86, which represented close to 0.0000% of the net asset value of the Fund at that date. Transactions between National Bank Trust Inc. and the Fund were carried out in the normal course of business and at the Fund's net asset value as at the transaction date.

### Registered Plan Trust Services

NTC receives a fixed amount per registered account for services provided as trustee for registered plans.

### Administrative and Operating Services

The provision of certain services was delegated by the Fund Manager, NBII, to National Bank Trust Inc. ("NBT"), a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of the Bank. These include accounting, reporting and portfolio valuation services. The fees incurred for these services are paid to NBT by the Fund manager.

## Management Fees

The Fund pays annual management fees to the Fund manager for its management services. The fees are calculated based on a percentage of the Fund's daily net asset value before applicable taxes and are paid on a monthly basis. Under the *Distribution* heading, expenses include the broker's compensation consisting of the maximum annual trailer fees and sales commissions paid to brokers. Under the *Other* heading, the fees relate mainly to investment management, investment advisory services, general administration and profit. The breakdown of major services provided in consideration of the management fees, expressed as an approximate percentage of the management fees is as follows:

Series	Management Fees	Distribution	Others <sup>†</sup>
Investor Series	1.75%	57.14%	42.89%
Advisor Series and Series T5*			
Front-end load**	1.75%	28.57%	71.43%
Back-end load - 1 to 6 years	1.75%	28.57%	71.43%
Low load - 1 to 3 years	1.75%	28.57%	71.43%
Low load - 4 years and more	1.75%	57.14%	42.89%
Series F and Series F5	0.65%	—	100.00%
Series O	N/A***	—	100.00%

<sup>(†)</sup> Includes all costs related to management, investment advisory services, general administration and profit.

<sup>(\*)</sup> Excluding sales commissions paid on the Advisor Series and Series T5 with low sales charges option and deferred sales charge option, which are not paid for out of the management fees.

<sup>(\*\*)</sup> Also available under the USD purchase option. Rate applicable for all investments, including Advisor Series existing before May 14, 2015, systematic investment programs, reinvested distributions and switches.

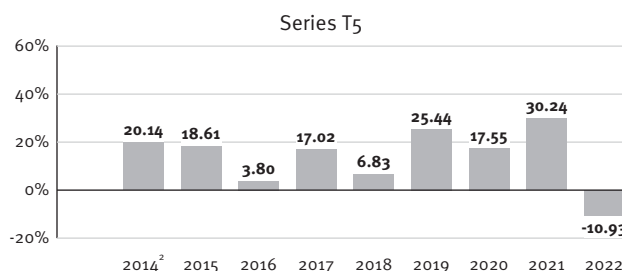
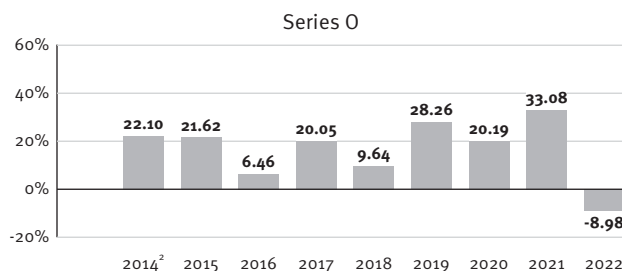
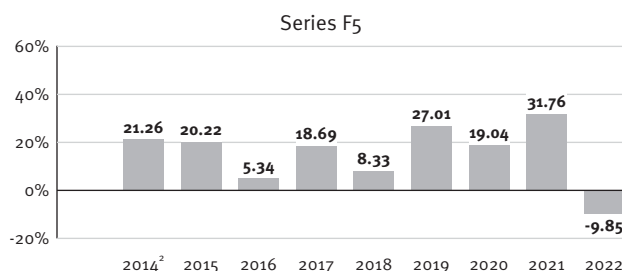
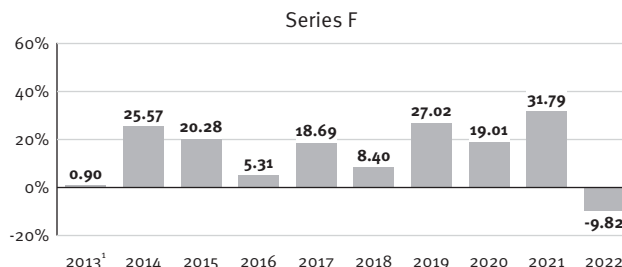
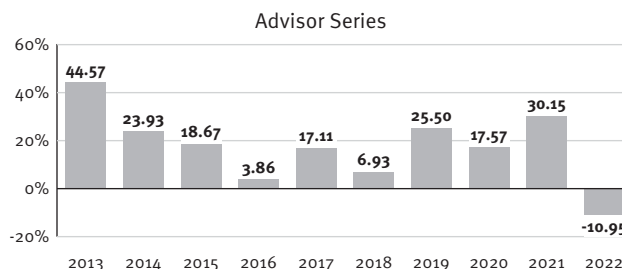
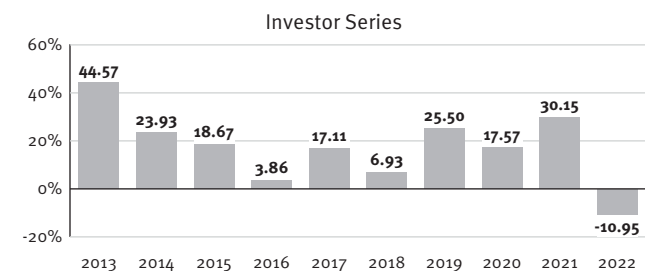
<sup>(\*\*\*)</sup> There are no management fees paid by the Fund with respect to the Series O. Instead, Series O securityholders pay a negotiated administration fee directly to National Bank Investments.

## Past Performance

The performance of each series of the Fund is presented below and calculated as at December 31 of each year. It assumes that all distributions made in the periods shown were reinvested in additional securities and does not take into account sales, redemption charges, distributions, or optional charges that would have reduced returns. Past performance of a series of a Fund does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

### Annual Returns

The bar charts indicate the performance for each the Fund's series in existence greater than one year during the years shown, and illustrate how the performance has changed from year to year. They show, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on January 1 (or made commencing from the start of the series) would have grown or decreased by December 31 of that year, in the case of the Annual management report of fund performance, or by June 30, in the case of the Interim management report of fund performance.



<sup>(1)</sup> Returns for the period from December 24, 2013 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2013.

<sup>(2)</sup> Returns for the period from May 21, 2014 (commencement of operations) to December 31, 2014.

### Annual Compounded Performance

The following table shows the Fund's annual compound returns for each series in existence greater than one year and for each of the periods ended on December 31, 2022, compared with the following benchmark:

- S&P 500 Index (CAD)

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	<b>1 year</b>	<b>3 years</b>	<b>5 years</b>	<b>10 years</b>	<b>Since inception</b>
<b>Investor Series<sup>1</sup></b>	(10.95)%	10.87%	12.83%	16.81%	–
Benchmark	(12.16)%	9.25%	11.15%	16.08%	–
<b>Advisor Series<sup>2</sup></b>	(10.95)%	10.87%	12.83%	16.81%	–
Benchmark	(12.16)%	9.25%	11.15%	16.08%	–
<b>Series F<sup>3</sup></b>	(9.82)%	12.25%	14.26%	–	15.64%
Benchmark	(12.16)%	9.25%	11.15%	–	13.69%
<b>Series F5<sup>4</sup></b>	(9.85)%	12.24%	14.24%	–	15.82%
Benchmark	(12.16)%	9.25%	11.15%	–	14.57%
<b>Series O<sup>4</sup></b>	(8.98)%	13.34%	15.41%	–	17.06%
Benchmark	(12.16)%	9.25%	11.15%	–	14.57%
<b>Series T5<sup>4</sup></b>	(10.93)%	10.89%	12.81%	–	14.30%
Benchmark	(12.16)%	9.25%	11.15%	–	14.57%

<sup>1</sup>Commencement of operations: May 18, 1993

<sup>2</sup>Commencement of operations: June 12, 2009

<sup>3</sup>Commencement of operations: December 24, 2013

<sup>4</sup>Commencement of operations: May 21, 2014

A discussion of the Fund's relative performance in comparison to the index (or indices) can be found in the *Results of Operations* Section of this report.

**Index Description**

The **S&P 500 Index** is a float-adjusted market capitalization weighted index composed of 500 companies that measures the performance of the large-cap segment of the U.S. market. It measures the performance of the largest U.S. companies.

## Financial Highlights

The following tables show selected key financial information about the Fund and are intended to help you understand the Fund's financial performance for the accounting periods shown.

### Investor / Advisor\* Series

<sup>(1)</sup> The Advisor Series was created on June 12, 2009. Please note that the data presented below is in CAD although the Advisor Series is also available under the USD front-end load purchase option.

Net Assets per Unit<sup>(1)</sup> Commencement of operations: May 18, 1993

Accounting Period Ended	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31
<b>Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown</b> <sup>(4)</sup>	60.17	46.21	39.31	31.33	29.31
<b>Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)</b>					
Total revenue	0.59	0.51	0.86	0.45	0.44
Total expenses	(1.17)	(1.16)	(0.93)	(0.81)	(0.78)
Realized gains (losses)	1.64	0.01	0.03	0.82	0.43
Unrealized gains (losses)	(8.45)	14.74	6.93	7.42	1.93
<b>Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	(7.39)	14.10	6.89	7.88	2.02
<b>Distributions (\$)</b>					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	—	—	—	—	—
From dividends	—	—	—	—	—
From capital gains	—	—	—	—	—
Return of capital	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Total Annual Distributions (\$)</b> <sup>(3)</sup>	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$)</b> <sup>(4)</sup>	53.58	60.17	46.21	39.31	31.33

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31
Total net asset value (000's of \$) <sup>(5)</sup>	196,122	242,294	162,337	118,997	90,150
Number of units outstanding <sup>(5)</sup>	3,660,030	4,026,794	3,511,745	3,026,317	2,877,451
Management expense ratio (%) <sup>(6)</sup>	2.23	2.22	2.22	2.22	2.48
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	2.24	2.23	2.22	2.22	2.48
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	—	—	0.01	0.02	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(8)</sup>	9.76	—	8.46	8.61	9.70
Net asset value per unit (\$)	53.58	60.17	46.23	39.32	31.33

## Series F\*

<sup>(1)</sup> Please note that the data presented below is in CAD although this Series is also available under the USD purchase option.

Net Assets per Unit <sup>(1)</sup>		Commencement of operations: December 24, 2013				
Accounting Period Ended	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31	
<b>Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown<sup>(4)</sup></b>	40.92	31.04	26.22	20.65	19.06	
<b>Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)</b>						
Total revenue	0.41	0.34	0.58	0.31	0.29	
Total expenses	(0.35)	(0.34)	(0.28)	(0.25)	(0.22)	
Realized gains (losses)	1.07	0.01	0.02	0.65	0.27	
Unrealized gains (losses)	(4.85)	10.12	4.68	4.32	1.04	
<b>Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)<sup>(2)</sup></b>	(3.72)	10.13	5.00	5.03	1.38	
<b>Distributions (\$)</b>						
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	—	—	—	—	—	
From dividends	—	—	0.16	—	—	
From capital gains	—	—	—	—	—	
Return of capital	—	—	—	—	—	
<b>Total Annual Distributions (\$)<sup>(3)</sup></b>	—	—	0.16	—	—	
<b>Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown<sup>(4)</sup></b>	36.90	40.92	31.04	26.22	20.65	

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31
Total net asset value (000's of \$) <sup>(5)</sup>	683,914	687,154	409,124	253,981	50,079
Number of units outstanding <sup>(5)</sup>	18,535,304	16,791,441	13,176,055	9,682,232	2,425,278
Management expense ratio (%) <sup>(6)</sup>	0.99	0.97	1.01	1.01	1.12
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	1.01	0.99	1.03	1.03	1.16
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	—	—	0.01	0.02	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(8)</sup>	9.76	—	8.46	8.61	9.70
Net asset value per unit (\$)	36.90	40.92	31.05	26.23	20.65

## Series F5

Net Assets per Unit<sup>(1)</sup> Commencement of operations: May 21, 2014

Accounting Period Ended	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31
<b>Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown<sup>(4)</sup></b>	27.54	21.86	19.29	15.87	15.36
<b>Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)</b>					
Total revenue	0.27	0.24	0.41	0.23	0.24
Total expenses	(0.23)	(0.22)	(0.20)	(0.18)	(0.17)
Realized gains (losses)	0.67	0.01	0.01	0.56	0.21
Unrealized gains (losses)	(3.12)	7.09	4.67	3.18	0.39
<b>Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)<sup>(2)</sup></b>	(2.41)	7.12	4.89	3.79	0.67
<b>Distributions (\$)</b>					
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	—	—	—	—	—
From dividends	—	—	0.15	—	—
From capital gains	—	—	—	—	—
Return of capital	1.38	1.09	0.82	0.79	0.77
<b>Total Annual Distributions (\$)<sup>(3)</sup></b>	1.38	1.09	0.97	0.79	0.77
<b>Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown<sup>(4)</sup></b>	23.41	27.54	21.86	19.29	15.87

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31
Total net asset value (000's of \$) <sup>(5)</sup>	18,497	18,393	8,877	2,821	926
Number of units outstanding <sup>(5)</sup>	790,140	667,821	405,975	146,205	58,318
Management expense ratio (%) <sup>(6)</sup>	1.01	0.97	1.01	1.03	1.13
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	1.07	1.03	1.07	1.08	1.20
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	—	—	0.01	0.02	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(8)</sup>	9.76	—	8.46	8.61	9.70
Net asset value per unit (\$)	23.41	27.54	21.87	19.29	15.87

## Series O

Please note that the data presented below is in CAD although this Series is also available under the USD purchase option.

Net Assets per Unit <sup>(1)</sup>		Commencement of operations: May 21, 2014				
Accounting Period Ended	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31	
<b>Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown<sup>(4)</sup></b>	42.44	31.88	26.68	20.81	18.99	
<b>Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)</b>						
Total revenue	0.42	0.35	0.44	0.30	0.29	
Total expenses	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	—	
Realized gains (losses)	1.11	0.01	0.35	0.63	0.28	
Unrealized gains (losses)	(5.47)	10.22	5.94	2.93	1.25	
<b>Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)<sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>(3.95)</b>	<b>10.57</b>	<b>6.72</b>	<b>3.85</b>	<b>1.82</b>	
<b>Distributions (\$)</b>						
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	—	—	—	—	—	
From dividends	—	—	0.19	—	—	
From capital gains	—	—	—	—	—	
Return of capital	—	—	—	—	—	
<b>Total Annual Distributions (\$)<sup>(3)</sup></b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>0.19</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	
<b>Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$)<sup>(4)</sup></b>	<b>38.63</b>	<b>42.44</b>	<b>31.88</b>	<b>26.68</b>	<b>20.81</b>	

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31
Total net asset value (000's of \$) <sup>(5)</sup>	63,915	35,434	29,036	6,787	2
Number of units outstanding <sup>(5)</sup>	1,654,548	835,027	910,439	254,247	101
Management expense ratio (%) <sup>(6)</sup>	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	—
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.52
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	—	—	0.01	0.02	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(8)</sup>	9.76	—	8.46	8.61	9.70
Net asset value per unit (\$)	38.63	42.44	31.89	26.69	20.81

## Series T5

Net Assets per Unit <sup>(1)</sup>		Commencement of operations: May 21, 2014				
Accounting Period Ended	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31	
<b>Net Assets, Beginning of Accounting Period Shown<sup>(4)</sup></b>	24.80	19.92	17.81	14.84	14.58	
<b>Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)</b>						
Total revenue	0.24	0.21	0.38	0.21	0.22	
Total expenses	(0.47)	(0.47)	(0.42)	(0.39)	(0.39)	
Realized gains (losses)	0.63	0.01	0.03	0.49	0.19	
Unrealized gains (losses)	(3.05)	5.99	2.94	3.34	0.05	
<b>Total Increase (Decrease) from Operations (\$)<sup>(2)</sup></b>	<b>(2.65)</b>	<b>5.74</b>	<b>2.93</b>	<b>3.65</b>	<b>0.07</b>	
<b>Distributions (\$)</b>						
From net investment income (excluding dividends)	—	—	—	—	—	
From dividends	—	—	0.09	—	—	
From capital gains	—	—	—	—	—	
Return of capital	1.24	1.00	0.81	0.74	0.73	
<b>Total Annual Distributions (\$)<sup>(3)</sup></b>	<b>1.24</b>	<b>1.00</b>	<b>0.90</b>	<b>0.74</b>	<b>0.73</b>	
<b>Net Assets, End of Accounting Period Shown (\$)<sup>(4)</sup></b>	<b>20.82</b>	<b>24.80</b>	<b>19.92</b>	<b>17.81</b>	<b>14.84</b>	

### Ratios and Supplemental Data

Accounting Period Ended	2022 December 31	2021 December 31	2020 December 31	2019 December 31	2018 December 31
Total net asset value (000's of \$) <sup>(5)</sup>	1,713	1,702	1,567	683	291
Number of units outstanding <sup>(5)</sup>	82,267	68,635	78,645	38,356	19,608
Management expense ratio (%) <sup>(6)</sup>	2.23	2.13	2.26	2.30	2.54
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorptions (%)	2.23	2.14	2.27	2.30	2.55
Trading expense ratio (%) <sup>(7)</sup>	—	—	0.01	0.02	—
Portfolio turnover rate (%) <sup>(8)</sup>	9.76	—	8.46	8.61	9.70
Net asset value per unit (\$)	20.82	24.80	19.93	17.81	14.84



- <sup>(1)</sup> This information is derived from the Fund's Annual Audited Financial Statements. The net assets per unit presented in the financial statements might differ from the net asset value calculated for fund pricing purposes. The differences are explained in the notes to the financial statements.
- <sup>(2)</sup> Net assets and distributions are based on the actual number of units outstanding at the relevant time. The increase or decrease from operations is based on the average number of units outstanding over the accounting period.
- <sup>(3)</sup> Distributions were paid in cash or reinvested in additional units of the Fund, or both.
- <sup>(4)</sup> The net assets are calculated in accordance with IFRS.
- <sup>(5)</sup> This information is provided as at the last day of the accounting period shown.
- <sup>(6)</sup> Management expense ratio is based on total expenses including sales taxes for the accounting period indicated (excluding commission, other portfolio transaction costs and withholding taxes) and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net value during the accounting period.
- <sup>(7)</sup> The trading expense ratio represents total commissions and other portfolio transaction costs expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average net asset value during the accounting period. The trading expense ratio includes, if necessary, the trading expenses from its underlying funds, as described in Article 15.2 of Regulation 81-106.
- <sup>(8)</sup> The Fund's portfolio turnover rate indicates how actively the Fund portfolio's manager manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover rate of 100% is equivalent to the Fund buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the accounting period. The higher a Fund's portfolio turnover rate in an accounting period, the greater the trading costs payable by the Fund in the accounting period, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the accounting period. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high turnover rate and the performance of a Fund.

## Summary of Investment Portfolio

As of December 31, 2022

### Portfolio Top Holdings

	% of Net Asset Value
Microsoft Corp.	8.7
UnitedHealth Group Inc.	6.3
AutoZone Inc.	6.1
Alphabet Inc., Class A	6.0
Moody's Corp.	5.7
Johnson & Johnson	5.2
MasterCard Inc., Class A	5.1
PepsiCo Inc.	4.3
Linde PLC	4.2
Lowe's Companies Inc.	4.1
TJX Companies Inc.	3.7
MSCI Inc.	3.4
Sherwin-Williams Co./The	3.2
Analog Devices Inc.	3.1
Becton Dickinson and Co.	3.0
Oracle Corp.	2.9
Mettler-Toledo International Inc.	2.8
Graco Inc.	2.7
Nike Inc., Class B	2.7
CME Group Inc., Class A	2.6
Otis Worldwide Corp.	2.6
Carrier Global Corp.	2.4
Middleby Corp.	2.3
Factset Research Systems Inc.	2.1
Cash, Money Market and Other Net Assets	0.9
	96.1

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### Regional Allocation

	% of Net Asset Value
United States	94.9
Ireland	4.2
Cash, Money Market and Other Net Assets	0.9

### Sector Allocation

	% of Net Asset Value
Information Technology	26.9
Consumer Discretionary	16.7
Health Care	14.5
Financials	11.8
Industrials	9.9
Materials	7.4
Communication Services	6.0
Consumer Staples	5.9
Cash, Money Market and Other Net Assets	0.9

The above table shows the top 25 positions held by the Fund. In the case of a Fund with fewer than 25 positions, all positions are indicated.

The Summary of Investment Portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the investment Fund. A quarterly update is available. Please consult our website at [www.nbinvestments.ca](http://www.nbinvestments.ca).

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