
SUN LIFE GLOBAL INVESTMENTS (CANADA) INC.

ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT OF FUND PERFORMANCE

for the financial year ended December 31, 2019

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio



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MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION OF FUND PERFORMANCE

Investment Objectives and Strategies

The fundamental objectives of the Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio (the "Portfolio") are to seek capital appreciation and income, with a bias towards capital appreciation, by investing primarily in equity mutual funds and, to a lesser extent, fixed income mutual funds.

In pursuing the Portfolio's investment objective, the portfolio manager typically invests between 60% and 80% of the Portfolio's assets in equity mutual funds and between 20% and 40% of the Portfolio's assets in fixed income mutual funds. The portfolio manager uses an asset allocation strategy to determine the balance between the portion of the Portfolio invested in equity mutual funds and the portion of the Portfolio invested in fixed income mutual funds. The equity portion of the Portfolio typically has exposure to Canadian equity securities, U.S. equity securities and international equity securities. The fixed income portion typically selects fixed income mutual funds with exposure to Canadian debt instruments and global debt instruments.

Risk

There were no changes in the Portfolio's investment objectives or strategies during the period which materially impacted the overall level of risk in the Portfolio. The risks associated with investing in the Portfolio remain as outlined in the Portfolio's Simplified Prospectus.

Results of Operations

During the period, the net asset value of the Portfolio increased from \$1.3 billion to \$1.7 billion due to positive net sales, as well as positive performance.

During the period, the Portfolio returned 14.4% for Series A units, this result lagged the Portfolio's benchmark, which returned 17.1%. The broad-based index 1 returned 21.2% and the broad-based index 2 returned 1.4%. The performance returns for other series of this Portfolio are similar to those of Series A except for differences in expense structures. Please refer to the 'Past Performance' section of this report for performance of each series and a definition of the benchmark and broad-based index if applicable.

The Manager was cautious despite the run up in markets. With the exception of maintaining a slight overweight exposure to U.S. equities, the Manager kept a lower exposure to equities versus previous periods and overweight position to fixed income versus previous periods. This negatively impacted returns as equities outperformed bonds. For defensive purposes, the Manager increased cash levels to help manage risk during the period. An underweight allocation to equities in general detracted from performance as global equity markets roared ahead. Additionally, an overweight allocation to cash detracted from fund performance as global markets delivered good returns.

Major contributors to Fund performance for the period included being overweight U.S. equities. U.S. markets climbed to highs after the U.S. Federal Reserve ("the Fed") said it would likely cut interest rates. The Fund's underweight position on emerging market equities during the period also contributed positively to performance as emerging markets underperformed due to global trade tensions. The Manager reduced emerging markets equity exposure position during the second part of the period, as emerging markets were sensitive to external risk factors such as the pace of global growth, changes in U.S. monetary policy and the U.S./China trade war.

In terms of fixed income, yields on both U.S. Treasuries and Canadian bonds continued to come down. The spread between the two narrowed on the assumption that the Bank of Canada will be less likely to lower interest rates. The Manager moved from underweight U.S. bonds to overweight U.S. bonds on that basis which contributed positively to fund performance.

Recent Developments

The Manager announced on November 29, 2019 that it intended to separate Series O securities from the Sun Life Global Investments Private Client Program for all the mutual funds that it manages. Subsequent to the reporting period, the Manager implemented this change to the Private Client Program on February 26, 2020.

The Canadian equity market ended the period in double-digit positive territory. The Canadian economy remained resilient despite the fact a federal election resulted in a minority Liberal government, the Bank of Canada (BoC) did not cut interest rates, and global trade tensions dominated world economies.

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There were some positive developments later in the year. The U.S. and China agreed to a limited trade deal (phase one), which lowers some tariffs on China-imported goods and allows more access to U.S. farmers to sell goods in China. Also, U.K. Prime Minister Boris Johnson won a majority Conservative government that gives him a mandate to exit the European Union.

The U.S. equity market ended the year in double-digit positive territory. It was actually one of the best performing years in the past decade. Ironically, the year began with investors' concerns of a global economic slowdown resulting from the U.S.-China trade dispute and an inverted yield curve in the U.S. bond market. An inverted yield curve can sometimes be a signal of an upcoming recession.

Due to this economic uncertainty, the U.S. Federal Reserve (the "Fed") cut interest rates three times in the year. These rates cuts were looked upon as insurance cuts to keep the country's longest economic expansion running and also had a positive effect.

Fixed income markets across most geographies saw double-digit returns. What really drove returns in 2019 was capital appreciation which was driven both by interest rates moving lower and credit markets staying strong. Central banks remained largely on the sidelines and economic activity remained broadly supportive but at a lower gear relative to what the market has seen over recent years.

The Manager cautions that the current global uncertainty with respect to the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) and its effect on the broader global economy may have a significant impact to the volatility of the financial market. While the precise impact remains unknown, rapid spread of the virus may have a material adverse effect on global economic activity and disrupt global supply chains, operations, mobility of people, which could affect interest rates, credit ratings, credit risk, inflation, business, financial conditions, results of operations and other factors relevant to fund performance.

Related Party Transactions

Sun Life Global Investments (Canada) Inc. (the "Manager") is the manager, trustee and portfolio manager of the Portfolio. For its services, the Manager receives a management fee that is calculated as a percentage of the average net asset value of the Portfolio. This fee is calculated daily and payable monthly.

The Manager is responsible for the provision of all general management and administrative services required by the Portfolio in its day-to-day operations, including providing or arranging for the provision of investment advice, bookkeeping, recordkeeping and other administrative services for the Portfolio.

As trustee, the Manager holds legal title to the Portfolio's investments in trust for unitholders.

As portfolio manager, the Manager is responsible for managing the investment portfolio of the Portfolio directly or through sub-advisors.

The Manager is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Sun Life Financial Inc.

Fund Administrative Expenses

The Manager pays certain operating expenses of the Portfolio (the "Administration Expenses") in return for a fixed administration fee paid to the Manager by the Portfolio ("Administration Fee"). The Administration Fee is based on the net asset value of each series of the Portfolio. The Administration Expenses include, but are not limited to, record keeper fees, accounting, audit and legal fees, bank and interest charges, safekeeping and custodial fees, taxes, administrative and systems costs, costs of reports to investors, prospectuses and other disclosure documents, regulatory filing fees (including those incurred by the Manager) and trustee fees for registered plans. The amount of this charge is disclosed as Fixed annual administration fees in the Portfolio's Statement of Comprehensive Income found in the annual financial statements.

The Portfolio also pays certain operating expenses directly (the "Portfolio Costs"). Portfolio Costs include: borrowing costs incurred by the Portfolio from time to time; costs in connection with portfolio transactions; fees and expenses payable to or in connection with the Portfolio's Independent Review Committee ("IRC"); taxes payable by the Portfolio; and the costs of complying with any new regulatory or legal requirement imposed on the Portfolio. The Portfolio allocates Portfolio Costs proportionately among each series of the Portfolio to which they apply. The Portfolio Costs that are specific to a series of securities are allocated to that series. These amounts are paid out of the assets attributed to each series of securities of the Portfolio, which reduces the return you may receive.

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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 previous five years or for the periods since inception to December 31, 2019.

The Portfolio's Net Asset Value per Unit (\$)⁽¹⁾

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series A

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.45	13.62	12.94	12.75	12.38
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.40	0.50	0.49	0.50	0.39
Total expenses	(0.32)	(0.33)	(0.32)	(0.31)	(0.31)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.29	0.52	0.31	0.20	0.73
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.39	(1.22)	0.59	0.28	(0.06)
Total increase (decrease) from operations⁽²⁾	1.76	(0.53)	1.07	0.67	0.75
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.03)	-	(0.05)	(0.10)	(0.05)
From dividends	(0.01)	-	(0.02)	(0.01)	(0.02)
From capital gains	(0.16)	(0.67)	(0.33)	(0.19)	(0.50)
Return of capital	-	-	(0.01)	-	-
Total annual distributions⁽³⁾	(0.20)	(0.67)	(0.41)	(0.30)	(0.56)
Net asset value, end of period	14.04	12.45	13.62	12.94	12.75

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series T5

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Net asset value, beginning of period	14.93	17.11	16.92	17.30	17.40
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.45	0.62	0.58	0.78	0.57
Total expenses	(0.38)	(0.41)	(0.42)	(0.41)	(0.42)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.34	0.64	0.38	0.24	1.00
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.68	(1.54)	0.87	0.51	0.16
Total increase (decrease) from operations⁽²⁾	2.09	(0.69)	1.41	1.12	1.31
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	-	-	(0.66)	(0.53)	(0.58)
From dividends	-	-	-	(0.08)	-
From capital gains	-	(0.81)	(0.42)	(0.37)	(0.84)
Return of capital	(0.86)	(0.78)	(0.13)	(0.05)	(0.05)
Total annual distributions⁽³⁾	(0.86)	(1.59)	(1.21)	(1.03)	(1.47)
Net asset value, end of period	16.18	14.93	17.11	16.92	17.30

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series T8

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.23	14.42	14.67	15.43	15.94
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.39	0.63	0.48	0.57	0.52
Total expenses	(0.31)	(0.33)	(0.36)	(0.37)	(0.40)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.29	0.53	0.33	0.25	0.91
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.23	(1.62)	0.69	(0.07)	(0.55)
Total increase (decrease) from operations⁽²⁾	1.60	(0.79)	1.14	0.38	0.48
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	-	-	(0.92)	(0.82)	(0.93)
From dividends	-	-	-	(0.13)	-
From capital gains	-	(0.66)	(0.35)	(0.28)	(0.74)
Return of capital	(1.05)	(1.06)	(0.17)	(0.10)	(0.10)
Total annual distributions⁽³⁾	(1.05)	(1.72)	(1.44)	(1.33)	(1.77)
Net asset value, end of period	12.89	12.23	14.42	14.67	15.43

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series F

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Net asset value, beginning of period	12.83	13.98	13.28	13.08	12.66
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.44	0.55	0.55	0.60	0.37
Total expenses	(0.16)	(0.17)	(0.17)	(0.17)	(0.17)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.30	0.55	0.33	0.21	0.75
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.34	(1.40)	0.52	0.11	0.04
Total increase (decrease) from operations⁽²⁾	1.92	(0.47)	1.23	0.75	0.99
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.16)	(0.08)	(0.17)	(0.21)	(0.12)
From dividends	(0.06)	(0.04)	(0.05)	(0.03)	(0.03)
From capital gains	(0.16)	(0.70)	(0.34)	(0.20)	(0.53)
Return of capital	-	-	(0.01)	(0.01)	-
Total annual distributions⁽³⁾	(0.38)	(0.82)	(0.57)	(0.45)	(0.68)
Net asset value, end of period	14.47	12.83	13.98	13.28	13.08

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Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series F5

	2019	2018
	(\$)	(\$)
Net asset value, beginning of period	13.68	15.00
Increase (decrease) from operations:		
Total revenue	0.50	0.87
Total expenses	(0.18)	(0.16)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.27	0.54
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.13	(2.17)
Total increase (decrease) from operations⁽²⁾	1.72	(0.92)
Distributions:		
From income (excluding dividends)	-	(0.69)
From dividends	-	(0.03)
From capital gains	-	(0.74)
Return of capital	(0.80)	-
Total annual distributions⁽³⁾	(0.80)	(1.46)
Net asset value, end of period	15.00	13.68

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series F8

	2019	2018
	(\$)	(\$)
Net asset value, beginning of period	13.46	15.00
Increase (decrease) from operations:		
Total revenue	0.47	0.52
Total expenses	(0.17)	(0.16)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.33	0.56
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	0.93	(0.76)
Total increase (decrease) from operations⁽²⁾	1.56	0.16
Distributions:		
From income (excluding dividends)	-	(1.00)
From dividends	-	-
From capital gains	-	(0.71)
Return of capital	(1.15)	-
Total annual distributions⁽³⁾	(1.15)	(1.71)
Net asset value, end of period	14.37	13.46

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series I

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Net asset value, beginning of period	13.19	14.45	13.69	13.41	12.99
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.43	0.53	0.52	0.53	0.42
Total expenses	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.01)	-	-
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.31	0.56	0.33	0.21	0.76
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.47	(1.32)	0.64	0.27	0.09
Total increase (decrease) from operations⁽²⁾	2.20	(0.24)	1.48	1.01	1.27
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.27)	(0.22)	(0.27)	(0.28)	(0.23)
From dividends	(0.09)	(0.10)	(0.08)	(0.04)	(0.07)
From capital gains	(0.17)	(0.73)	(0.36)	(0.21)	(0.56)
Return of capital	-	-	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.02)
Total annual distributions⁽³⁾	(0.53)	(1.05)	(0.72)	(0.55)	(0.88)
Net asset value, end of period	14.90	13.19	14.45	13.69	13.41

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series O

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Net asset value, beginning of period	10.25	11.21	10.62	10.41	10.09
Increase (decrease) from operations:					
Total revenue	0.33	0.40	0.41	0.39	0.34
Total expenses	(0.02)	(0.02)	(0.03)	(0.03)	(0.03)
Realized gains (losses) for the period	0.24	0.43	0.26	0.16	0.60
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period	1.18	(1.01)	0.48	0.14	(0.25)
Total increase (decrease) from operations⁽²⁾	1.73	(0.20)	1.12	0.66	0.66
Distributions:					
From income (excluding dividends)	(0.19)	(0.15)	(0.20)	(0.20)	(0.18)
From dividends	(0.07)	(0.07)	(0.06)	(0.03)	(0.05)
From capital gains	(0.13)	(0.57)	(0.28)	(0.16)	(0.43)
Return of capital	-	-	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.01)
Total annual distributions⁽³⁾	(0.39)	(0.79)	(0.55)	(0.41)	(0.67)
Net asset value, end of period	11.58	10.25	11.21	10.62	10.41

⁽¹⁾ This information is derived from the Portfolio's audited annual financial statements.

⁽²⁾ Net Assets and distributions are based on the actual number of securities outstanding at the relevant time. The increase/decrease from operations is based on the weighted average number of securities outstanding over the financial period.

⁽³⁾ Distributions were paid in cash, reinvested in additional units of the Portfolio, or both.

Ratios and Supplemental Data

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series A

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Total net asset value (\$) ⁽¹⁾	383,666,163	300,252,345	254,164,719	171,737,541	87,869,689
Number of units outstanding ⁽¹⁾	27,320,682	24,109,056	18,665,136	13,274,177	6,893,991
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽²⁾	2.30	2.30	2.31	2.30	2.29
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption (%) ⁽²⁾	2.30	2.30	2.31	2.30	2.29
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽³⁾	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.08
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁴⁾	39.00	48.21	51.70	61.13	59.26
Net asset value per unit (\$) ⁽¹⁾	14.04	12.45	13.62	12.94	12.75

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Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series T5

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Total net asset value (\$) ⁽¹⁾	4,744,186	4,334,773	3,686,306	3,196,772	417,675
Number of units outstanding ⁽¹⁾	293,288	290,305	215,455	188,888	24,139
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽²⁾	2.33	2.34	2.36	2.29	2.26
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption (%) ⁽²⁾	2.33	2.34	2.36	2.29	2.26
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽³⁾	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.08
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁴⁾	39.00	48.21	51.70	61.13	59.26
Net asset value per unit (\$) ⁽¹⁾	16.18	14.93	17.11	16.92	17.30

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series T8

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Total net asset value (\$) ⁽¹⁾	3,299,702	1,972,370	784,731	724,702	776,468
Number of units outstanding ⁽¹⁾	255,986	161,282	54,414	49,398	50,336
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽²⁾	2.32	2.32	2.36	2.35	2.36
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption (%) ⁽²⁾	2.32	2.32	2.36	2.35	2.36
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽³⁾	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.08
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁴⁾	39.00	48.21	51.70	61.13	59.26
Net asset value per unit (\$) ⁽¹⁾	12.89	12.23	14.42	14.67	15.43

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series F

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Total net asset value (\$) ⁽¹⁾	65,998,833	41,398,873	26,673,458	14,119,372	5,625,704
Number of units outstanding ⁽¹⁾	4,561,228	3,227,077	1,907,348	1,062,854	430,167
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽²⁾	1.15	1.16	1.22	1.22	1.22
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption (%) ⁽²⁾	1.15	1.16	1.22	1.22	1.22
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽³⁾	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.08
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁴⁾	39.00	48.21	51.70	61.13	59.26
Net asset value per unit (\$) ⁽¹⁾	14.47	12.83	13.98	13.28	13.08

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series F5

	2019	2018
Total net asset value (\$) ⁽¹⁾	139,728	52,803
Number of units outstanding ⁽¹⁾	9,317	3,860
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽²⁾	1.17	1.15
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption (%) ⁽²⁾	1.17	1.15
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽³⁾	0.03	0.04
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁴⁾	39.00	48.21
Net asset value per unit (\$) ⁽¹⁾	15.00	13.68

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series F8

	2019	2018
Total net asset value (\$) ⁽¹⁾	430,046	10,114
Number of units outstanding ⁽¹⁾	29,937	752
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽²⁾	1.17	1.15
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption (%) ⁽²⁾	1.17	1.15
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽³⁾	0.03	0.04
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁴⁾	39.00	48.21
Net asset value per unit (\$) ⁽¹⁾	14.37	13.46

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series I

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Total net asset value (\$) ⁽¹⁾	1,171,496,517	901,697,061	798,070,071	556,545,059	286,638,324
Number of units outstanding ⁽¹⁾	78,609,925	68,366,916	55,233,195	40,668,207	21,379,117
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽²⁾	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption (%) ⁽²⁾	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽³⁾	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.08
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁴⁾	39.00	48.21	51.70	61.13	59.26
Net asset value per unit (\$) ⁽¹⁾	14.90	13.19	14.45	13.69	13.41

Sun Life Granite Balanced Growth Portfolio - Series O

	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Total net asset value (\$) ⁽¹⁾	44,317,051	38,908,556	38,833,121	28,035,221	20,523,115
Number of units outstanding ⁽¹⁾	3,827,943	3,797,211	3,463,251	2,639,233	1,971,521
Management expense ratio (%) ⁽²⁾	0.20	0.21	0.26	0.26	0.26
Management expense ratio before waivers or absorption (%) ⁽²⁾	0.20	0.21	0.26	0.26	0.26
Trading expense ratio (%) ⁽³⁾	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.08
Portfolio turnover rate (%) ⁽⁴⁾	39.00	48.21	51.70	61.13	59.26
Net asset value per unit (\$) ⁽¹⁾	11.58	10.25	11.21	10.62	10.41

⁽¹⁾ This information is provided as at December 31 of the period shown, as applicable.

⁽²⁾ Management expense ratio is based on total expenses (excluding broker commissions and other portfolio transaction costs) including the Portfolio's allocated percentage of Fund-on-Funds' expenses for the stated period and is expressed as an annualized percentage of daily average Net Asset Value during the period.

⁽³⁾ 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 period.

⁽⁴⁾ The Portfolio's portfolio turnover ratio indicates how actively the Portfolio's portfolio manager manages its portfolio investments. A portfolio turnover ratio of 100% is equivalent to the Portfolio buying and selling all of the securities in its portfolio once in the course of the year. The higher a Portfolio's portfolio turnover ratio in a year, the greater the trading costs payable by the Portfolio in the year, and the greater the chance of an investor receiving taxable capital gains in the year. There is not necessarily a relationship between a high portfolio turnover rate and the performance of the Portfolio.

Management Fees

The maximum annual management fee paid by the Portfolio is a percentage of the average daily net asset value of each series of securities of the Portfolio exclusive of any applicable taxes and operating expenses, which is accrued daily and is paid to the Manager monthly in arrears. Management fees pay for portfolio and investment advisory services, oversight of any service providers, marketing and promotional activities, arranging for the distribution and sale of securities of the Portfolio, general administration of Fund operations and sales and trailing commissions paid to dealers.

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The percentages and major services paid for out of the management fees are set out below:

	Maximum Annual Management Fee Rate (%)	As a Percentage of Management Fees	
		Dealer Compensation (%) ^(*)	General Administration, Investment Advice and Profit (%)
Series A Units	1.85	47	53
Series T5 Units	1.85	40	60
Series T8 Units	1.85	52	48
Series F Units	0.85	–	100
Series F5 Units	0.85	–	100
Series F8 Units	0.85	–	100
Series I Units ^(†)	–	–	–
Series O Units ^(‡)	0.85	–	–

(*) Includes sales and trailing commissions.

(†) Series O management fees are not paid by the Fund. Series O investors pay management fees directly to the manager.

(‡) Series I management fees are not paid by the Fund. Series I investors negotiate management fees and pay directly to the manager.

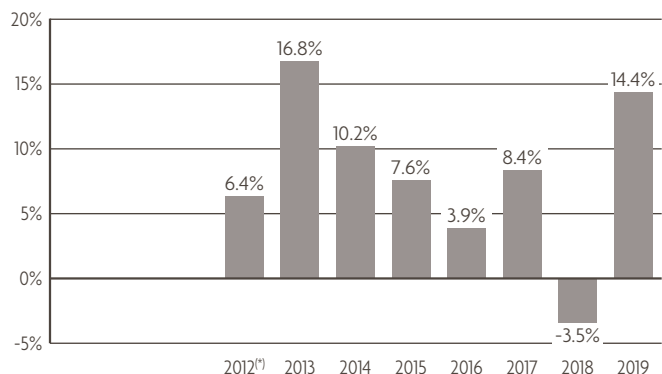
Past Performance

The performance information shown assumes that all distributions made by the Portfolio in the periods shown were reinvested in additional securities of the Portfolio. The performance information does not take into account sales, redemption, distribution, other optional charges or income tax payable by any unitholder that would have reduced returns or performance. How the Portfolio has performed in the past does not necessarily indicate how it will perform in the future.

Year-by-Year Returns

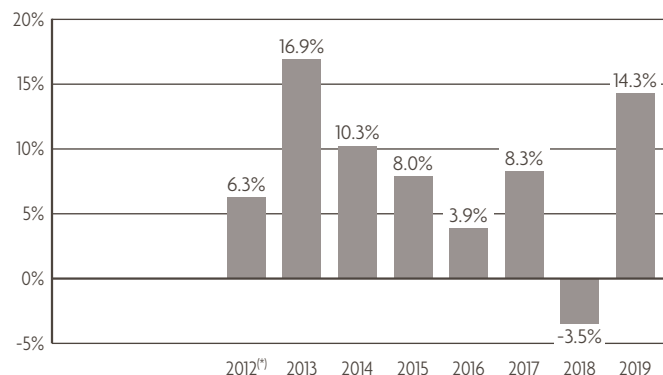
The following bar chart shows the Portfolio's annual performance for the period shown. The chart shows, in percentage terms, how much an investment made on the first day of each financial year would have grown or decreased by the last day of each financial year.

Series A Units – Annual return for the period ended December 31, 2019



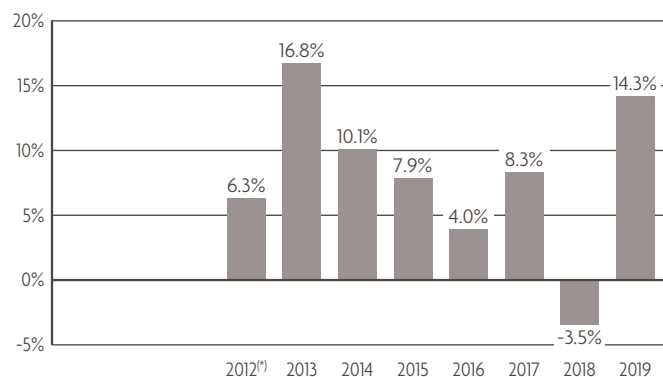
(*) for the period of January 17, 2012 to December 31, 2012.

Series T5 Units – Annual return for the period ended December 31, 2019



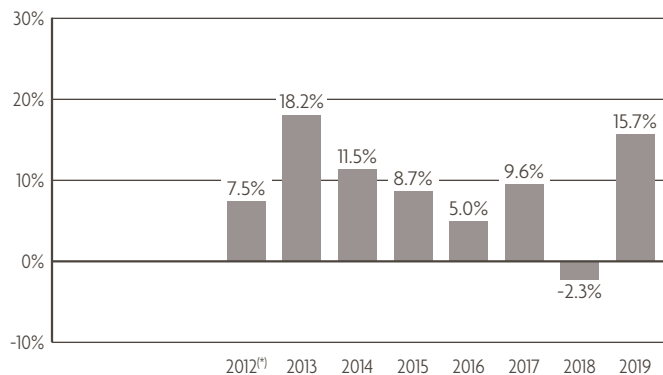
(*) for the period of January 17, 2012 to December 31, 2012.

Series T8 Units – Annual return for the period ended December 31, 2019



(*) for the period of January 17, 2012 to December 31, 2012.

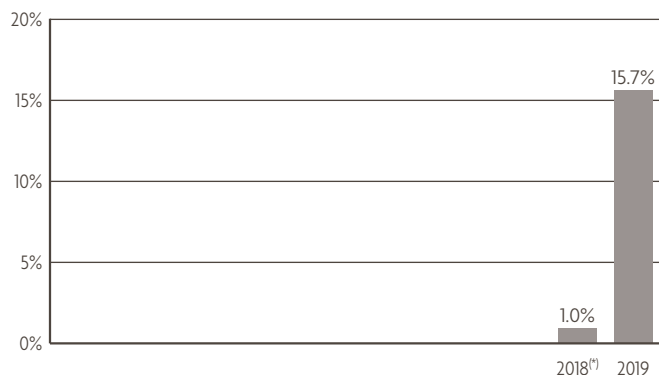
Series F Units – Annual return for the period ended December 31, 2019



(*) for the period of January 17, 2012 to December 31, 2012.

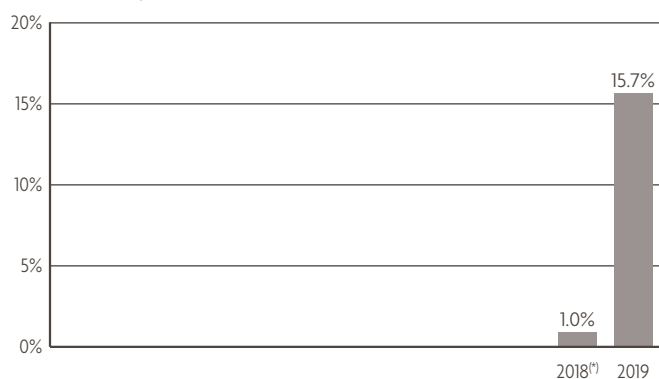
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Series F5 Units – Annual return for the period ended December 31, 2019



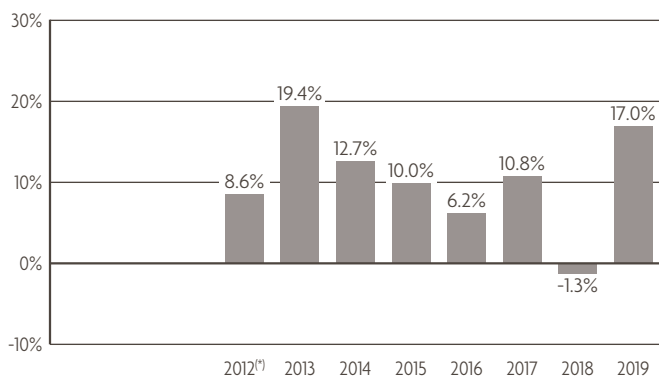
^(*) for the period of February 9, 2018 to December 31, 2018.

Series F8 Units – Annual return for the period ended December 31, 2019



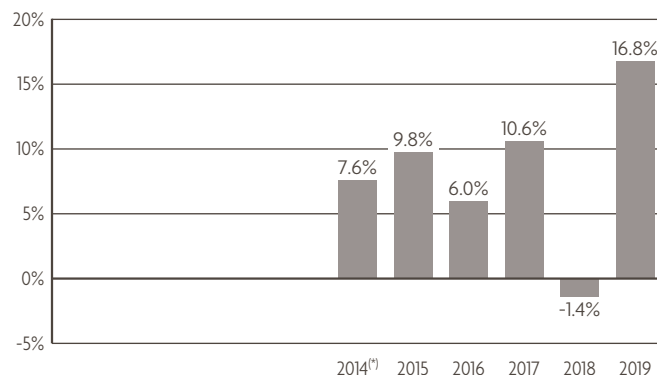
^(*) for the period of February 9, 2018 to December 31, 2018.

Series I Units – Annual return for the period ended December 31, 2019



^(*) for the period of January 17, 2012 to December 31, 2012.

Series O Units – Annual return for the period ended December 31, 2019



^(*) for the period of April 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014.

Annual Compound Returns

The table compares the historical annual compound total returns of Series A, T5, T8, F, F5, F8, I and O securities of the Portfolio with the following benchmark and broad-based index, if applicable:

The current benchmark (the “Current Benchmark”) is composed of:

- 18.9% S&P/TSX Capped Composite Index
- 13.9% FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index
- 51.1% MSCI World Index C\$
- 13.6% J.P. Morgan Government Bond Index (GBI) Global Index Hedged C\$
- 2.5% FTSE Canada 91 Day T-Bill Index

The previous benchmark (the “Previous Benchmark”) is composed of:

- 49.0% MSCI World Index C\$
- 21.0% S&P/TSX Capped Composite Index
- 13.9% FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index
- 13.6% J.P. Morgan Government Bond Index (GBI) Global Index Hedged C\$
- 2.5% FTSE Canada 91 Day T-Bill Index

The Portfolio's blended benchmark was adjusted April 1, 2019 to better reflect the Portfolio's strategic asset mix.

The Series A units underperformed the benchmark since inception, over the past five years, over the past three years, and over the past year.

The following are the broad-based index or indices:

- Broad-based index 1 - MSCI World Index C\$
- Broad-based index 2 - Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index C\$

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	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year	Performance Start Date ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾⁽⁷⁾⁽⁸⁾
Series A	14.4%	6.2%	6.0%	N/A	7.9%
Series T5	14.3%	6.1%	6.0%	N/A	7.9%
Series T8	14.3%	6.1%	6.0%	N/A	7.9%
Series F	15.7%	7.4%	7.2%	N/A	9.1%
Current Benchmark	17.1%	8.2%	7.9%	N/A	9.8%
Previous Benchmark	17.1%	8.1%	7.8%	N/A	9.7%
Broad-based index 1	21.2%	11.3%	11.2%	11.8%	14.5%
Broad-based index 2	1.4%	3.1%	4.6%	N/A	4.9%
Series F5	15.7%	N/A	N/A	N/A	8.5%
Series F8	15.7%	N/A	N/A	N/A	8.5%
Current Benchmark	17.1%	8.2%	7.9%	N/A	9.5%
Previous Benchmark	17.1%	8.1%	7.8%	N/A	9.5%
Broad-based index 1	21.2%	11.3%	11.2%	11.8%	11.7%
Broad-based index 2	1.4%	3.1%	4.6%	N/A	4.5%
Series I	17.0%	8.6%	8.4%	N/A	10.3%
Current Benchmark	17.1%	8.2%	7.9%	N/A	9.8%
Previous Benchmark	17.1%	8.1%	7.8%	N/A	9.7%
Broad-based index 1	21.2%	11.3%	11.2%	11.8%	14.5%
Broad-based index 2	1.4%	3.1%	4.6%	N/A	4.9%
Series O	16.8%	8.4%	8.2%	N/A	8.5%
Current Benchmark	17.1%	8.2%	7.9%	N/A	8.1%
Previous Benchmark	17.1%	8.1%	7.8%	N/A	8.0%
Broad-based index 1	21.2%	11.3%	11.2%	11.8%	11.3%
Broad-based index 2	1.4%	3.1%	4.6%	N/A	4.6%

⁽¹⁾ The performance start date for Series A units was January 17, 2012.

⁽²⁾ The performance start date for Series T5 units was January 17, 2012.

⁽³⁾ The performance start date for Series T8 units was January 17, 2012.

⁽⁴⁾ The performance start date for Series F units was January 17, 2012.

⁽⁵⁾ The performance start date for Series F5 units was February 9, 2018.

⁽⁶⁾ The performance start date for Series F8 units was February 9, 2018.

⁽⁷⁾ The performance start date for Series I units was January 17, 2012.

⁽⁸⁾ The performance start date for Series O units was April 1, 2014.

INDEX DESCRIPTION(S)

The S&P/TSX Capped Composite Index imposes capped weights of 10% on all of the constituents included in the S&P/TSX Composite. The S&P/TSX Composite covers approximately 95% of the Canadian equities market, and has been the primary gauge for Canadian-based, Toronto Stock Exchange-listed companies since 1977.

The FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index is a market capitalization weighted index composed of investment grade, fixed coupon, government and corporate bonds, issued in Canada and denominated in Canadian dollars, with a remaining term to maturity of at least one year.

The MSCI World Index is a free float adjusted market capitalization index that is designed to measure global developed market equity performance.

The J.P. Morgan Government Bond Index Global (GBI Global) is a market capitalization weighted bond index representative of the fixed-rate government securities across 13 developed government bond markets. The index notably excludes bonds with less than one year to maturity, floating rate notes and perpetuals. This index is hedged to the Canadian dollar.

The FTSE Canada 91 Day T-Bill Index measures the performance of the 91 day Treasury Bill market.

The Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate Bond Index measures the performance of the global investment-grade fixed-rate debt markets. It is composed of government, government-related and corporate bonds, as well as asset-backed, mortgage-backed and commercial mortgage-backed securities from both developed and emerging markets issuers.

Summary of Investment Portfolio*

as at December 31, 2019

Top 25 Investments

Holding Name [†]	Percentage of Net Asset Value of the Fund (%)
1 iShares Core S&P 500 ETF	10.9
2 PH&N Bond Fund, Series O	8.5
3 Sun Life BlackRock Canadian Composite Equity Fund, Series I	8.4
4 Sun Life Granite Tactical Completion Fund, Series I	8.2
5 Sun Life Schroder Global Mid Cap Fund, Series I	6.5
6 Sun Life Real Assets Fund, Series I	5.8
7 Sun Life BlackRock Canadian Universe Bond Fund, Series I	5.5
8 Sun Life MFS International Value Fund, Series I	4.6
9 Sun Life JPMorgan International Equity Fund, Series I	4.6
10 Sun Life MFS International Growth Fund, Series I	4.6
11 RBC Emerging Markets Bond Fund, Series O	4.5
12 Sun Life MFS Canadian Equity Growth Fund, Series I	4.5
13 Beutel Goodman Canadian Equity Fund, Class I	4.4
14 Sun Life MFS U.S. Growth Fund, Series I	4.2
15 Sun Life Excel Emerging Markets Fund, Series I	3.8
16 Sun Life Ryan Labs U.S. Core Fixed Income Fund, Series I	2.4
17 Sun Life MFS U.S. Value Fund, Series I	2.1
18 Sun Life NWQ Flexible Income Fund, Series I	2.0
19 iShares Core S&P 500 Index ETF (CAD-Hedged)	1.3
20 ABSL Umbrella UCITS Fund, Class E [†]	1.2
21 RBC High Yield Bond Fund, Series O	0.8
22 Templeton Global Bond Fund (Hedged), Series O	0.6
23 Cash and Cash Equivalents**	0.6
	100.0
Total Net Asset Value ('000's)	\$ 1,674,092

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Asset Allocation

	Percentage of Net Asset Value of the Fund %
Equity	67.5
Fixed Income	31.9
Cash and Cash Equivalents**	0.6
	100.0

(¹) All information is as at December 31, 2019. The summary of investment portfolio may change due to ongoing portfolio transactions of the Fund. Unless otherwise noted positions are long. You may obtain quarterly updates to these holdings free of charge by calling us at 1-877-344-1434, visiting our website at www.sunlifeglobalinvestments.com or by sending an email to us at info@sunlifeglobalinvestments.com.

(²) Cash and Cash Equivalents, for the purpose of this chart, includes other assets less liabilities.

(³) The Portfolio has obtained an exemption from the Canadian Securities Administrators to purchase units of ABSL Umbrella UCITS Fund, Class E, a foreign investment fund. For more information on the exemption, please refer to the fund's annual information form, which is available on our website at sunlifeglobalinvestments.com.

(⁴) The investment portfolio include(s) one or more other investment fund(s). The prospectus of the underlying investment fund(s) and other information can be found on SEDAR at www.sedar.com.

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