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As of September 30, 2026

Low volatility Canadian equity

Investment objectives

The objective of the Optimum Low volatility Canadian equity strategy is to achieve capital appreciation over a medium to long-term horizon and generate an average annual return of **0.90% above** the benchmark over 4-year moving periods (before management fees).

The portfolio is comprised primarily of common shares issued by Canadian companies that pay dividends.

The manager uses a quantitative method to identify securities with volatility lower than that of the benchmark.

Inception date	August 2012
Vehicles offered	• Segregated securities • Mutual funds
Assets under management	$89.95 M
Benchmark	MSCI Canada IMI
Income distribution	Quarterly
Optimum fund code	• **Series O: OPI110** • **Series F: OPI110F (Fundserv)**
Auditor	Ernst & Young
Depositary	RBC Investor Services

*Assets under management for the Optimum Low volatility Canadian equity strategy.

Why invest?

- Approach focused on the most defensive sectors for better capital preservation
- Disciplined investment process that combines quantitative filters and fundamental analysis performed by the managers
- Consistently generates lower volatility than the index
- Dividend yield exceeding that of the index
- Stable, experienced management team

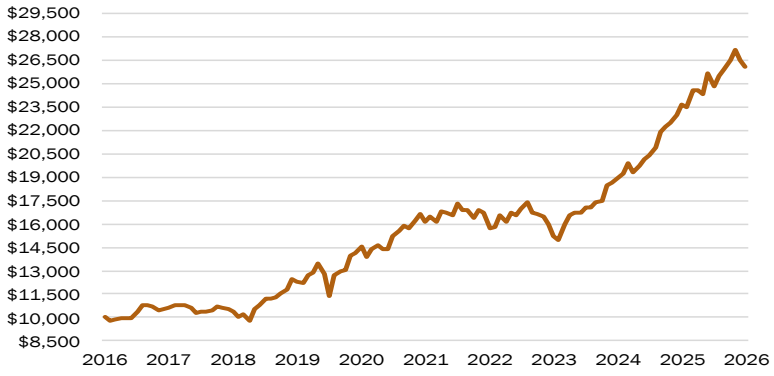
Risk rating

Low	Low to medium	Medium	Medium to high	High

Optimum Asset Management considers the volatility of the Low volatility Canadian equity strategy to be medium.

This level is based on the variation in returns from one year to the next. It does not indicate future volatility and may change over time. A low level of risk may see its value decrease.

Growth of $10,000 since September 2016



- **Best quarter**
  2nd quarter 2020: 14.71%
- **Worst quarter**
  1st quarter 2020: -11.60%

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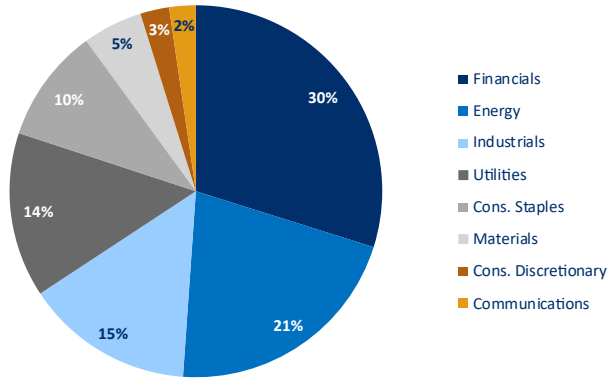
Strategy

Annualized returns (%)	1 year	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years	10 years	Since inception†
Portfolio	10.07	17.09	19.58	13.50	10.08	10.06	10.94
MSCI Canada IMI	21.73	26.00	26.35	22.25	16.07	12.72	11.39
Value added	-11.67	-8.91	-6.77	-8.75	-5.99	-2.65	-0.44

Per period (%)	3 months	YTD	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Portfolio	-1.60	6.05	27.33	16.66	2.66	-3.79	14.39
MSCI Canada IMI	2.52	14.15	33.10	22.93	12.29	-5.74	25.36
Value added	-4.12	-8.10	-5.77	-6.27	-9.64	1.95	-10.97

† Inception date: August 2012. The Optimum Low volatility Canadian equity strategy performance is shown in Canadian dollars, before management fees and is annualized for all periods over one year. This information is presented for information purposes only. Please read the legal notices at the end of this document.

Sector allocation*



Top 10 holdings*

	%
CENOVUS ENERGY INC.	3.18
WHITECAP RESSOURCES INC.	2.92
CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LIMITED.	2.91
IMPERIAL OIL LIMITED	2.84
MANULIFE FINCL CORP	2.73
IA FINANCIAL CORPORATION INC.	2.71
FRANCO NEVADA CORP	2.69
ATKINSRÉALIS	2.63
TMX GROUP LTDKEYERA CORP.	2.60
BARRICK MINING CORPORATION	2.54

Risk-return analysis*

	Portfolio	Benchmark
Standard deviation	9.52%	12.16%
Beta	0.60	1.00
Sharpe ratio	0.98	0.80
Tracking error	7.80%	-
Information ratio	-0.06	-
Bull market capture	71%	-
Bear market capture	56%	-
Bull batting average	32%	-
Bear batting average	78%	-

Characteristics*

	Portfolio
Median market cap (B$)	62.78
Number of holdings	40
ROE – 5-year average	14.04%
Price/earnings	15.99
Revenue growth – 5 years	8.75
Dividend yield	2.57%
Net debt/EBITDA	2.80
Carbon footprint (intensity. Mt)	348.59

* Data for the Optimum Low volatility Canadian equity fund.

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