Canada Life Balanced Portfolio F5

May 31, 2026

A portfolio fund aiming to provide a balance between income and long-term growth.

Is this fund right for you?

- You want investment income and you want your money to grow over time.
- You want to invest in both equity funds and fixed-income funds (up to 40 per cent).
- You're comfortable with a low to medium level of risk.

RISK RATING

LOW MEDIUM HIGH

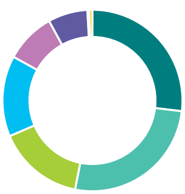
Fund category
Global Neutral Balanced

Inception date
November 03, 2011

Management expense ratio (MER)
0.97%
(September 30, 2025)

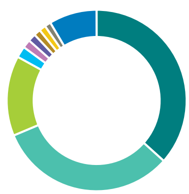
Fund management
Portfolio Solutions Group

How is the fund invested? (as of March 31, 2026)



Asset allocation (%)

US Equity	26.9
Domestic Bonds	26.2
Canadian Equity	15.5
International Equity	14.4
Cash and Equivalents	9.0
Foreign Bonds	7.1
Income Trust Units	0.3
Other	0.6



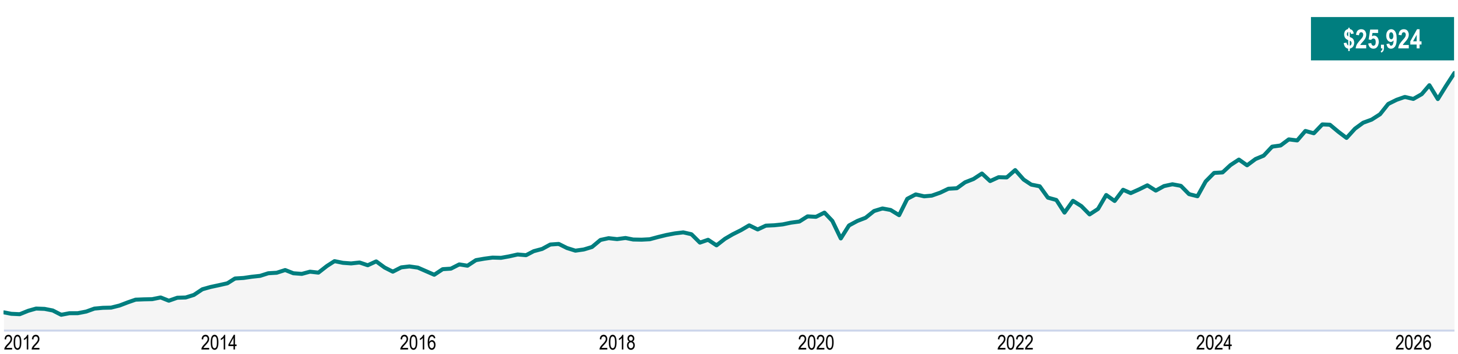
Geographic allocation (%)

Canada	36.6
United States	32.1
North America	14.3
United Kingdom	2.0
Japan	1.5
Ireland	1.4
France	1.2
Taiwan	1.2
China	1.1
Other	8.6

Sector allocation (%)

Fixed Income	34.0
Technology	11.4
Financial Services	10.7
Cash and Cash Equivalent	9.0
Mutual Fund	5.2
Basic Materials	4.3
Energy	4.1
Consumer Services	3.7
Healthcare	3.6
Other	14.0

Growth of $10,000 (since inception)



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Fund details (as of March 31, 2026)

Top holdings	%
Canada Life Canadian Core Fixed Income Fund Series R	14.3
Cash and Cash Equivalents	8.6
Canada Life U.S. Dividend Fund Series R	5.1
Royal Bank of Canada	1.2
NVIDIA Corp	1.1
Canada Government 3.25% 01-Jun-2035	1.1
Apple Inc	1.1
Microsoft Corp	1.0
Toronto-Dominion Bank	0.8
Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd	0.8
Total allocation in top holdings	**35.1**

Portfolio characteristics	
Standard deviation	7.0%
Dividend yield	1.8%
Yield to maturity	-
Duration (years)	-
Coupon	-
Average credit rating	-
Average market cap (million)	$705,441.6

Net assets (million)
$576.0

Price
$13.57

Number of holdings
2794

Minimum initial investment
$500

Fund codes

NL – MAX2408

Understanding returns

Annual compound returns (%)

1 MO	3 MO	YTD	1 YR	3 YR	5 YR	10 YR	INCEPTION
3.5	**3.3**	**7.1**	**16.7**	**12.7**	**7.3**	**7.0**	**6.8**

Calendar year returns (%)

2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
10.4	**13.7**	**10.7**	**-10.6**	**9.1**	**9.1**	**13.1**	**-2.8**

Range of returns over five years (December 01, 2011 - May 31, 2026)

Best return	Best period end date	Worst return	Worst period end date	Average Return	% of periods with positive returns	Number of positive periods	Number of negative periods
8.1%	**May 2017**	**2.3%**	**March 2020**	**5.7%**	**100.0%**	**115**	**0**

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Q1 2026 Fund Commentary

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Market commentary

Global equities declined over the first quarter of 2026 and underperformed global bonds, which posted a small loss. (All returns are in Canadian-dollar terms on a total-return basis.) Global equities lost momentum as tensions in the Middle East escalated, causing economic uncertainty. The conflict largely closed off the Strait of Hormuz to oil shipments, which sent oil prices higher, raising concerns about inflation and whether central banks will need to lift interest rates this year.

The U.S. equity market declined, posting a low single-digit loss. The financials sector was the weakest-performing sector. Canadian equities increased and outperformed U.S. equities, getting robust performance from the energy sector. EAFE equities posted a small gain, underperforming Canadian equities but outperforming U.S. equities. Equities in the U.K. and Japan performed well. Emerging markets equities also gained and outperformed their developed market peers, with equities in Brazil and Mexico performing well.

The FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index posted a total return of 0.2% over the quarter. Government bond prices increased, while government yields edged higher. Government bonds outperformed corporate bonds, which posted a small gain. Corporate bond prices were hindered from widening credit spreads (the difference in yield between corporate and government bonds). Securitization bonds posted the largest increase in the corporate bond sector. High-yield bond prices rose on a total-return basis and outperformed investment-grade corporate bonds.

Global bond yields moved higher over the quarter, and global bond prices posted a small loss. The Bank of Canada, U.S. Federal Reserve Board, Bank of England, European Central Bank and Bank of Japan all held their policy interest rates steady over the quarter. The yield on 10-year Government of Canada bonds rose from 3.43% to 3.47%. Sovereign bond yields in the U.S., the U.K., Germany and Japan also increased.

Performance

The allocation to foreign equities was the top contributor to performance. Counsel Multi-Factor International and U.S. Equity contributed because of their diverse factor exposure.

Canada Life U.S. Disciplined Value contributed to performance because of stock selection in the information technology, industrials, energy and health care sectors. Canada Life Emerging Markets Fund contributed because of strong stock selection in South Korea, Taiwan and Brazil.

Exposure to global bonds, and off-benchmark allocations to commercial mortgages and private credit, also contributed to performance.

Active management from Canadian and U.S. growth style investment strategies detracted from performance. An off-benchmark allocation to small- and mid-capitalization equities also detracted.

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Canada Life Global Small-Mid Cap Equity Fund detracted from performance because of sector positioning and stock selection, as well as the broader underperformance of small-cap companies versus large-cap companies. Canada Life Global Growth Opportunities Fund detracted from performance because of stock selection in the energy, health care, information technology and industrials sectors.

Portfolio activity

The sub-advisor did not make any changes to the Portfolio during the quarter.

Outlook

The first quarter of 2026 marked a transition in market leadership, with supply issues and geopolitical risks overtaking demand cycles as the primary drivers of volatility. Escalating tensions in the Middle East pushed oil prices sharply higher, reviving inflation concerns and increasing uncertainty around economic growth without yet showing clear evidence of economic deterioration. While headline volatility has eased at times, elevated implied volatility suggests markets are increasingly pricing a wider range of outcomes as global fragmentation, energy constraints and supply chokepoints weigh on investor confidence.

In this environment, the sub-advisor's focus remains on portfolio resilience. The sub-advisor continues to emphasize broad diversification across regions and return drivers, avoiding overreliance on a smooth disinflation or predictable easing path. Core exposure to structural growth themes such as artificial intelligence remains important, but the sub-advisor is mindful of rising concentration risk and greater macro sensitivity in earnings expectations.

Within portfolios, alternatives, including managed futures, volatility strategies and risk parity, play a growing role in navigating shifting correlations. Fixed income remains a useful stabilizer, although less reliable than in past cycles, reinforcing the need for broader sources of diversification and liquidity as buffers against episodic shocks.

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