

# Franklin Canadian Core Plus Bond Fund Series A-CAD

Investment Grade | Factsheet as of February 28, 2026

## Investment Overview

The fund seeks a high current income and some long-term capital appreciation by investing primarily in Canadian federal and provincial government and corporate bonds, debentures and short-term notes. The fund maintains an overweighted position in high-quality corporate and provincial issues, and an underweighted position in Canadian federal bonds. The fund may invest in foreign securities.

## Fund Highlights

- **An experienced bond investor.** The Calgary based investment team has decades of experience managing fixed income strategies with a Canadian perspective and is a part of the larger Franklin Fixed Income team with over 200 fixed income investment professionals around the world.
- **Lower portfolio risk.** Adding bonds to a portfolio can lower volatility by providing added stability and a regular stream of income, which is reassuring in any market environment.
- **"Core Plus" Investing.** The fund's primary investment focus is on core bonds issued in Canada with the potential for enhanced returns through global diversification.

## Total Returns

	Cumulative				Average Annual					Inception	
	1-Mo	3-Mo	6-Mo	YTD	1 Year	3-Yr	5-Yr	10-Yr	Inception	Date	
Series A - CAD	1.63	0.78	3.65	2.08	2.39	4.73	0.67	2.13	3.45	11/24/2000	

## Calendar Year Returns (%)

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Series A - CAD	2.53	4.30	6.56	-12.71	-1.60	7.60	7.16	-0.60	2.92	3.30

**Performance data represents past performance, which does not guarantee future results.** Current performance may differ from figures shown. Investment return and principal value will fluctuate with market conditions, and you may have a gain or loss when you sell your units.

Commissions, trailing commissions, management fees and expenses all may be associated with mutual fund investments. Please read the prospectus or fund facts document before investing. The indicated rates of return are historical annual compounded total returns including changes in unit value and reinvestment of all distributions and do not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or optional charges or income taxes payable by any security holder that would have reduced returns. Mutual funds are not guaranteed, their values change frequently, and past performance may not be repeated.

## Portfolio Management

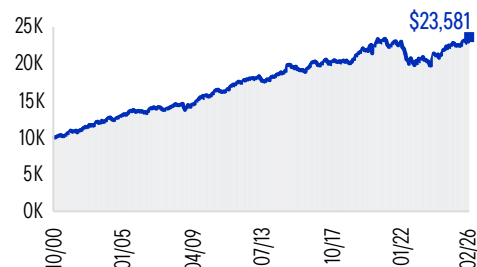
	Location	Years with Firm	Years of Experience
Adrienne Young, CFA	Calgary, AB Canada	11	31
Darcy Briggs, CFA	Calgary, AB Canada	21	32
Brian A. Calder	Calgary, AB Canada	24	27

## Distributions 01/03/2025-28/02/2026

Payable Date	Dist. Price	Amount	Payable Date	Dist. Price	Amount
02/28/2025	10.39	0.020	08/29/2025	10.11	0.020
03/31/2025	10.32	0.034	09/30/2025	10.26	0.037
04/30/2025	10.19	0.020	10/31/2025	10.32	0.020
05/30/2025	10.16	0.020	11/28/2025	10.32	0.020
06/30/2025	10.16	0.037	12/19/2025	10.12	0.045
07/31/2025	10.09	0.020	01/30/2026	10.17	0.024

## Growth of \$10,000

Inception through February 28, 2026, Excluding Effects of Sales Charges



## Fund Overview

Fund Inception Date	08/01/1986
Series Inception Date	11/24/2000
Dividend Frequency	Monthly
Morningstar Category	Canadian Core Plus Fixed Income
Portfolio Turnover	36%
Management Fee	1.00%
MER (06/30/2025)	1.21%

## Risk Classification



## Benchmark(s)

FTSE Canada Universe Bond Index

## Fund Codes

Base Currency For Series	CAD
Front Load	200
Low Load	515
DSC	300

## Fund Characteristics

Fund	
Net Asset Value-Series A-CAD	\$10.31
Total Net Assets (CAD)	\$2.90 Billion
Nbr of Holdings	631
Average Credit Quality	A
Average Weighted Maturity	9.16 Yrs
Effective Duration	7.30 Yrs
Yield to Maturity	3.96%
Yield to Worst	3.74%

**Asset Allocation (% of Total)**

	Fund
Corporate Bonds	53.90
Provincial Bonds	21.46
Federal Bonds	19.85
Bank Loans	3.12
Municipal Bonds	1.50
Cash and Equivalents	0.23
Other	-0.07

**Top Securities (% Total)**

	Fund
United States Treasury Note/Bond, Unsecured, 4.00%, 11/15/35	2.39
Province of Ontario, 2.90%, 12/02/46	1.67
Province of Ontario Canada, UNSECURED, Unsecured, 3.60%, 6/02/35	1.64
Province of Ontario, 2.65%, 12/02/50	1.62
Canada Housing Trust No 1, GOVT GUARANTEED, 2nd lien, 144A, 3.10%, 6/15/28	1.57
PSP Capital Inc, COMPANY GUARNT, Sr Unsecured, REG S, 4.25%, 12/01/55	1.41
Canadian Government Bond, BONDS, Unsecured, 2.75%, 12/01/55	1.26
Province of Quebec Canada, SR UNSECURED, Sr Unsecured, 4.00%, 9/01/35	1.18
United States Treasury Note/Bond, Unsecured, 4.75%, 8/15/55	1.14
Province of Alberta, senior bond, 3.10%, 6/01/50	1.12

**Sector Allocation (% of Total)**

	Fund
Federal Agency	12.72
Ontario Provincial	11.45
Pipelines	8.82
Non-Agency	7.13
Bank	5.43
Insurance	3.96
Utility	3.53
Telecommunication	3.47
Other	43.25
Cash & Cash Equivalents	0.23

**Quality Allocation (% of Fixed Income)**

	Fund
AAA	18.25
AA	25.44
A	18.26
BBB	27.51
BB	8.00
B	2.38
CCC	0.06
D	0.04
Not Rated	0.05

**Glossary**

**Yield to Maturity ('YTM')**: is the rate of return anticipated on a bond if it is held until the maturity date. YTM is considered a long-term bond yield expressed as an annual rate. The calculation of YTM takes into account the current market price, par value, coupon interest rate and time to maturity. It is also assumed that all coupons are reinvested at the same rate. Yield figures quoted should not be used as an indication of the income that has or will be received. Yield figures are based on the portfolio's underlying holdings and do not represent a payout of the portfolio. **Yield to Maturity is calculated without the deduction of fees and expenses.** **Turnover** is a measure of the fund's trading activity which represents the portion of the fund's holdings that has changed over a twelve-month period through the fiscal year end. There is no assurance that the fund will maintain its current level of turnover. **Average Credit Quality**: The average credit quality reflects the holdings of the underlying issues, based on the size of each holding and ratings assigned to each based on rating agency assessments of its creditworthiness. **Weighted Average Maturity**: An estimate of the number of years to maturity, taking the possibility of early payments into account, for the underlying holdings. **Effective Duration** is a duration calculation for bonds with embedded options. Effective duration takes into account that expected cash flows will fluctuate as interest rates change. Duration measures the sensitivity of price (the value of principal) of a fixed-income investment to a change in interest rates. The higher the duration number, the more sensitive a fixed-income investment will be to interest rate changes. **Yield to Worst**: The yield to maturity if the worst possible bond repayment takes place. If market yields are higher than the coupon, the yield to worst would assume no prepayment. If market yields are below the coupon, the yield to worst would assume prepayment. In other words, yield to worst assumes that market yields are unchanged. Normally this value is not aggregated since it varies but if a weighted average value is used for a fund then the figure will reflect the values of the underlying issues, based on the size of each holding. **Yield to Worst is calculated without the deduction of fees and expenses.**

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