## **NEI Conservative Yield Portfolio**

A low-cost, yield oriented solution.



#### **Consistent Distribution**

Monthly distributions provide confidence when planning for the year ahead.

# Competitive returns with lower volatility

Historically, the fund has offered a smoother investment experience than Canadian bonds.

#### Low fees

The cost of investing is lower than many similar funds, due in part to the ETFs within the portfolio.

## **Asset allocation**

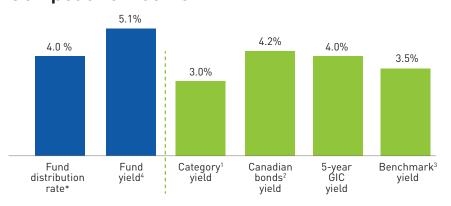
Diversification across equity and fixed income asset classes helps to maintain yield in all market conditions.



	Current	Range	
	%	Min %	Max %
Fixed income	75	70	90
Equity	25	10	30

	Current	Historical		
	%	Min %	Max %	
Canadian Equity	6	3	10	
U.S. Equity	9	6	14	
■ EAFE Equity	10	3	13	
■ Canadian Bond	15	7	29	
■ Global Bond	54	30	47	
High Yield Bond	6	9	28	

## **Competitive Income**



\*The Portfolio will seek to pay a monthly distribution, consisting of income and/or return of capital of a fixed amount per unit determined as of December 31 in the previous year. The distribution policy is reviewed annually. Fund yield is the internal portfolio yield based on total holdings, before fees. Category yield is the median internal portfolio yield of the Global Fixed Income Balanced Category, before fees. Benchmark yield is the 12-month trailing yield of the equity portion plus the yield-to-maturity of the fixed income portion. 5-yr GIC yield is the posted 5-yr Bank of Canada GIC rate. GICs are insured by the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation; mutual funds are not. Canadian bonds yield is the yield-to-maturity of iShares Core Canadian Bond Universe ETF.

## Growth of \$10,000 (F Series)



Growth of \$10,000 from fund inception of October 12, 2016 to March 31, 2024, calculated using month-end returns. The rate of return is used only to illustrate the effects of the compound growth rate and is not intended to reflect future values of the investment fund or returns on investment in the investment fund.

On March 01, 2023 the fund benchmark was changed. Prior to this date, the fund benchmark was 80% Bloomberg Barclays Global Aggregate; 14% MSCI World Index; 6% S&P/TSX Composite Index.

Unless otherwise indicated, all fund, category and index data on this page and the next is as of March 31, 2024, in C\$, sourced from Morningstar. Data values may be rounded. You cannot invest in an index.

## **Holdings**

	Yield % <sup>4</sup>	Weight %	Change %	Duration (years)
NEI Canadian Dividend	4.5	6	1	-
NEI U.S. Dividend	3.3	9	7	-
NEI Global Dividend RS	2.8	10	2	-
NEI Global Equity RS	1.9	0	-4	-
NEI ESG Enhanced Index	3.4	0	-2	-
NEI Clean Infrastructure	5.0	0	-4	-
ishares iBoxx \$ Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF	4.1	0	-1	8.49
SPDR Portfolio Intermediate Term Corporate Bond ETF	4.0	0	-1	4.01
Vanguard Canadian ST Corp Bond ETF	4.7	0	-2	2.60
NEI Canadian Bond	4.9	15	-5	6.76
NEI Global Total Return Bond	6.1	34	4	5.11
NEI Global Impact Bond	5.0	20	5	6.20
NEI Global High Yield Bond	7.4	6	0	1.66

Holdings can change at any time without notice. Benchmark: 80% Barclays Global Aggregate, 14% MSCI ACWI, 6% S&P/TSX Composite %

## **Performance**

As of March 31, 2024

	Annualized returns %					
	1 yr	3yr⁵	5yr	SI	MER 6%	Inception date
(Series A)	5.2	1.1	2.2	2.3	1.74	2016-10-26
(Series F)	6.1	2.0	3.1	3.1	0.89	2016-10-25
(Series P)	5.4	1.3	2.4	3.2	1.58	2016-01-27
(Series PF)	6.3	2.1	3.2	4.0	0.76	2016-02-03
Category Avg (Fee based only) <sup>7</sup>	2.1	-1.6	-	-	-	-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Audited as of September 30, 2023

Source: Morningstar

## **Fund codes**

Prefix: NWT

Series	FE	NL	
A	198	-	
F	-	599	
0	-	498	
Р	8198	-	
PF	-	8599	

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<sup>\*</sup> Estimated internal gross yield as of March 31, 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Global Fixed Income Balanced <sup>2</sup> Represented by iShares Core Canadian Universe Bond ETF <sup>3</sup> 80% Barclays Global Aggregate, 14% MSCI ACWI, 6% S&P/TSX Composite % <sup>4</sup> Estimated internal gross yield as of September 30, 2023s <sup>5</sup> 3-year annualized. <sup>6</sup> Audited as of March 31, 2024. <sup>7</sup> Global Fixed Income Balanced Category for fee-based series.