



## Global Insight – 2021 Midyear Outlook June 2021

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Dear clients,

Please find enclosed a special mid-year Global Insight report from the Global Portfolio Advisory Committee at RBC Wealth Management.

This report includes a global equity update from Investment Strategist, and Co-Chair of the committee, Jim Allworth. We always like to highlight Jim's views on the equity markets, as his decades of experience and clear communication is always appreciated by advisors and clients alike.

Jim lays out some pretty clear signs that equity markets are in a very advantageous position. Based on several indicators that all point to U.S. economic expansion, there are no current signs of an imminent

recession. He provides some historical context to this “overweight” view to equities, and some additional reasons why a major correction or bear market is unlikely to occur in the next couple of years. Granted, there can always be short-term fluctuations, but the setup for equities going forward appears to be on very solid footing.

We absolutely agree with Jim’s assessment, and maintain our view that owning profitable businesses with solid growth is the best way to generate portfolio returns in the coming quarters and years. We also note that fixed income is likely to have some struggles in offering much in the way of return during a rising interest rate environment. This asset class should be viewed more as an offset for equity market risk, but should not be expected to provide the same return profile we have seen since the 1980s, when interest rates started their multi-decade descent lower.

Please take some time to review the attached report at your convenience.

Along with professionally managing your portfolio, we are always available to discuss any other personal wealth management needs. This can include financial planning; insurance; and will & estate planning. We also co-ordinate with our internal RBC partners on a regular basis for clients that have needs related to banking (private/personal/commercial); mortgage and credit; or small business planning, to name a few.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to us directly with any of your personal wealth planning needs, or to discuss specific questions related to your portfolio. We are also more than happy to speak with any family or friends you feel might benefit from our team's services. A referral from our valued clients is the best compliment we can receive.

Best regards,

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