IFIC Monthly Statistics – December 2018

Toronto, ON – January 17, 2019 – The Investment Funds Institute of Canada (IFIC) today announced mutual fund net sales and net assets for December 2018.

The combined assets of Canada's mutual fund industry totalled \$1.42 trillion. Assets decreased by \$51.8 billion or 3.5% compared to November 2018.

The mutual fund industry recorded net sales of -\$7.9 billion in December and net sales of \$109 million for 2018.

Sales Highlights:

- Long-term fund net sales were -\$8.9 billion in December. For 2018, net sales were -\$2.5 billion, which were 105.7% lower than 2017.
- Balanced fund net sales were -\$3.5 billion in December. For 2018, net sales were \$418 million, which were 98.3% lower than 2017.
- Equity fund net sales were -\$2.8 billion in December. For 2018, net sales were -\$224 million, which were 103.2% lower than 2017.
- Bond fund net sales were -\$2.9 billion in December. For 2018, net sales were -\$6.8 billion, which were 167.4% lower than 2017.
- Money market fund net sales were \$1.1 billion in December. For 2018, net sales were \$2.7 billion, which were 1513% higher than 2017.

Net Sales (\$ Millions)

Asset Class	December 2018	November 2018	December 2017	2018	2017
Long-term Funds					
Balanced*	-3,512	-1,474	1,171	418	24,724
Equity	-2,782	-530	86	-224	6,955
Bond	-2,915	-1,242	-364	-6,810	10,103
Specialty	281	457	191	4,067	2,582
Total Long-term Funds	-8,928	-2,789	1,085	-2,550	44,364
Total Money Market Funds	1,060	375	340	2,658	-188
Total Industry	-7,869	-2,414	1,425	109	44,176

Net Assets (\$ Billions)

Asset Class	December 2018	November 2018	December 2017
Long-term Funds			
Balanced*	737.1	759.1	766.1
Equity	460.0	488.6	484.3
Bond	180.2	182.5	187.7
Specialty	18.3	18.4	14.7
Total Long-term Funds	1,395.6	1,448.6	1,452.8
Total Money Market Funds	27.5	26.3	24.2
Total Industry	1,423.1	1,474.9	1,477.1

* Balanced funds include funds that invest in a mix of stocks and bonds as well as funds that invest in a mix of separate stand-alone funds.

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