

# T. Rowe Price Funds

## Supplement to prospectuses

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The following information supplements the prospectuses for all T. Rowe Price Funds, except for the Variable Insurance Portfolios and any funds that are exempt from the general excessive and short-term trading policies adopted for the T. Rowe Price Funds.

Effective April 1, 2019, the T. Rowe Price Funds' excessive and short-term trading policy will generally apply only to transactions that have a value of more than \$5,000.

Accordingly, under the heading "Excessive and Short-Term Trading Policy" in Section 3 of each fund's prospectus, the following is added as an additional bullet point under "General Exceptions," effective April 1, 2019:

- Transactions having a value of \$5,000 or less.

In addition, effective April 1, 2019, the disclosure under the heading "Excessive and Short-Term Trading Policy" in Section 3 of each fund's prospectus is supplemented as follows:

Intermediaries and retirement plans held at T. Rowe Price may apply the excessive and short-term trading policy to transactions of any amount. For more information, please contact your intermediary and/or plan sponsor.

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**PROSPECTUS**

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T. Rowe Price

Balanced Fund

*Investor Class*

*I Class*

A fund seeking capital growth and current income through a portfolio of approximately 65% stocks and 35% fixed income securities.

*The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has not approved or disapproved these securities or passed upon the adequacy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.*

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# SUMMARY

## Investment Objective

The fund seeks to provide capital growth, current income, and preservation of capital through a portfolio of stocks and fixed income securities.

## Fees and Expenses

This table describes the fees and expenses that you may pay if you buy and hold shares of the fund. You may also incur brokerage commissions and other charges when buying or selling shares of the fund, which are not reflected in the table.

### *Fees and Expenses of the Fund*

	Investor Class	I Class
<b><i>Shareholder fees (fees paid directly from your investment)</i></b>		
Maximum account fee	\$20 <sup>a</sup>	—
<b><i>Annual fund operating expenses (expenses that you pay each year as a percentage of the value of your investment)</i></b>		
Management fees	0.44%	0.44%
Distribution and service (12b-1) fees	—	—
Other expenses	0.16	0.01
Acquired fund fees and expenses	0.04	0.04
Total annual fund operating expenses	0.64 <sup>b</sup>	0.49 <sup>b</sup>
Fee waiver/expense reimbursement	(0.03) <sup>c</sup>	(0.03) <sup>c</sup>
<b>Total annual fund operating expenses after fee waiver/expense reimbursement</b>	<b>0.61<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>0.46<sup>b</sup></b>

<sup>a</sup> Subject to certain exceptions, accounts with a balance of less than \$10,000 are charged an annual \$20 fee.

<sup>b</sup> The figures shown in the fee table do not match the "Ratio of expenses to average net assets" shown in the Financial Highlights table, as that figure does not include acquired fund fees and expenses and excludes expenses permanently waived as a result of investments in other T. Rowe Price Funds.

<sup>c</sup> T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc., is required to permanently waive a portion of its management fee charged to the fund in an amount sufficient to fully offset any acquired fund fees and expenses related to investments in other T. Rowe Price Funds. The amount of the waiver will vary each fiscal year in proportion to the amount invested in other T. Rowe Price Funds. The T. Rowe Price Funds would be required to seek regulatory approval in order to terminate this arrangement.

**Example** This example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the fund with the cost of investing in other mutual funds. The example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the fund for the time periods indicated and then redeem all of your shares at the end of those periods, that your investment has a 5% return each year, and that the fund's operating expenses remain the same. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions your costs would be:

	<i>1 year</i>	<i>3 years</i>	<i>5 years</i>	<i>10 years</i>
<b>Investor Class</b>	\$62	\$195	\$340	\$762
<b>I Class</b>	47	148	258	579

**Portfolio Turnover** The fund pays transaction costs, such as commissions, when it buys and sells securities (or “turns over” its portfolio). A higher portfolio turnover rate may indicate higher transaction costs and may result in higher taxes when the fund’s shares are held in a taxable account. These costs, which are not reflected in annual fund operating expenses or in the example, affect the fund’s performance. During the most recent fiscal year, the fund’s portfolio turnover rate was 48.7% of the average value of its portfolio.

### **Investments, Risks, and Performance**

**Principal Investment Strategies** The fund normally invests approximately 65% of its total assets in common stocks and 35% in fixed income securities. The fund will invest at least 25% of its total assets in fixed income senior securities and may invest up to 35% of its total assets in foreign securities.

When deciding upon overall allocations between stocks and fixed income securities, the portfolio manager may favor fixed income securities if the economy is expected to slow sufficiently to hurt corporate profit growth. When strong economic growth is expected, the portfolio manager may favor stocks. The fund will invest in bonds, including foreign issues, which are primarily investment grade (i.e., assigned one of the four highest credit ratings by established credit rating agencies) and are chosen from across the entire government, corporate, and asset- and mortgage-backed securities markets. Maturities generally reflect the portfolio manager’s outlook for interest rates.

When selecting particular stocks, the portfolio manager will examine relative values and prospects among growth- and value-oriented stocks, domestic and international stocks, small- to large-cap stocks, and stocks of companies involved in activities related to commodities and other real assets. Domestic stocks are drawn from the overall U.S. market and international stocks are selected primarily from large companies in developed countries, although stocks in emerging markets may also be purchased. This process draws heavily upon T. Rowe Price’s proprietary stock research expertise. While the fund maintains a well-diversified portfolio, its portfolio manager may at a particular time shift stock selection toward markets or market sectors that appear to offer attractive value and appreciation potential.

A similar security selection process applies to bonds. When deciding whether to adjust duration, credit risk exposure, or allocations among the various sectors (for example, high yield “junk” bonds, mortgage- and asset-backed securities, international bonds, and emerging markets bonds), T. Rowe Price weighs such factors as the outlook for inflation and the economy, corporate earnings, expected interest rate movements and currency valuations, and the yield advantage that lower-rated bonds may offer over investment-grade bonds.

In pursuing its investment objective, the fund has the discretion to deviate from its normal investment criteria. These situations might arise when the fund's adviser believes a security could increase in value for a variety of reasons, including an extraordinary corporate event, a new product introduction or innovation, a favorable competitive development, or a change in management. The fund may at times invest significantly in certain sectors, such as the information technology sector.

Securities may be sold for a variety of reasons, such as to effect a change in asset allocation, secure a gain, limit a loss, or redeploy assets into more promising opportunities.

**Principal Risks** As with any mutual fund, there is no guarantee that the fund will achieve its objective. The fund's share price fluctuates, which means you could lose money by investing in the fund. The principal risks of investing in this fund are summarized as follows:

**Active management risks** The investment adviser's judgments about the attractiveness, value, or potential appreciation of the fund's investments may prove to be incorrect. The fund could underperform in comparison to other funds with a similar benchmark or similar objectives and investment strategies if the fund's overall asset allocation, investment selections or strategies fail to produce the intended results.

**Risks of stock investing** Stocks generally fluctuate in value more than bonds and may decline significantly over short time periods. There is a chance that stock prices overall will decline because stock markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising and falling prices. The value of a stock in which the fund invests may decline due to general weakness in the stock market or because of factors that affect a particular company or industry.

**Market capitalization risks** Because the fund may invest in companies of any size, its share price could be more volatile than a fund that invests only in large companies. Small and medium-sized companies often have less experienced management, narrower product lines, more limited financial resources, and less publicly available information than larger companies. Larger companies may not be able to attain the high growth rates of successful smaller companies, especially during strong economic periods, and they may be less capable of responding quickly to competitive challenges and industry changes.

**Investment style risks** Because the fund invests in stock funds with both growth and value characteristics, its share price may be negatively affected if either investing approach falls out of favor. Growth stocks tend to be more volatile than the overall stock market and are more sensitive to changes in current or expected earnings. Value stocks carry the risk that investors will not recognize their intrinsic value for a long time or that they are actually appropriately priced at a low level.

**Interest rate risks** The prices of, and the income generated by, debt instruments held by the fund may be affected by changes in interest rates. A rise in interest rates typically causes the price of a fixed rate debt instrument to fall and its yield to rise. Conversely, a decline in interest rates typically causes the price of a fixed rate debt instrument to rise and the yield to fall. Generally, securities with longer durations carry greater interest rate risk. The fund may face a heightened level of interest rate risk due to historically low interest rates and the potential effect of any government fiscal policy initiatives; for example, the U.S. Federal Reserve System has ended its quantitative easing program and is expected to continue to raise interest rates. Mortgage-backed securities can react somewhat differently to interest rate changes because falling rates can cause losses of principal due to increased mortgage prepayments and rising rates can lead to decreased prepayments and greater volatility.

**Credit risks** An issuer of a debt instrument may default (fail to make scheduled interest or principal payments), potentially reducing the fund's income level and share price. This risk is increased when a security is downgraded or the perceived creditworthiness of the issuer deteriorates.

While the fund's bond investments are expected to primarily be investment grade, the fund may invest in bonds that are rated below investment grade, also known as high yield or "junk" bonds, including those with the lowest credit rating. High yield bond issuers are more likely to suffer an adverse change in financial condition that would result in the inability to meet a financial obligation. Accordingly, the securities they issue carry a higher risk of default and should be considered speculative. The fund's exposure to credit risk, in particular, is increased to the extent it invests in high yield bonds.

**Liquidity risks** The fund may not be able to sell a holding in a timely manner at a desired price. Reduced liquidity in the bond markets can result from a number of events, such as limited trading activity, reductions in bond inventory, and rapid or unexpected changes in interest rates. Less liquid markets could lead to greater price volatility and limit the fund's ability to sell a holding at a suitable price.

**Prepayment and extension risks** The fund is subject to prepayment risks because the principal on mortgage-backed securities, other asset-backed securities, or any debt instrument with an embedded call option may be prepaid at any time, which could reduce the security's yield and market value. The rate of prepayments tends to increase as interest rates fall, which could cause the average maturity of the portfolio to shorten. Extension risk may result from a rise in interest rates, which tends to make mortgage-backed securities, asset-backed securities, and other callable debt instruments more volatile.

**International investing risks** Investing in the securities of non-U.S. issuers involves special risks not typically associated with investing in U.S. issuers. International securities tend to be more volatile and less liquid than investments in U.S. securities

and may lose value because of adverse local, political, social, or economic developments overseas, or due to changes in the exchange rates between foreign currencies and the U.S. dollar. In addition, international investments are subject to settlement practices and regulatory and financial reporting standards that differ from those of the U.S.

**Emerging markets risks** The risks of international investing are heightened for securities of issuers in emerging market countries. Emerging market countries tend to have economic structures that are less diverse and mature, and political systems that are less stable, than those of developed countries. In addition to all of the risks of investing in international developed markets, emerging markets are more susceptible to governmental interference, local taxes being imposed on international investments, restrictions on gaining access to sales proceeds, and less liquid and less efficient trading markets.

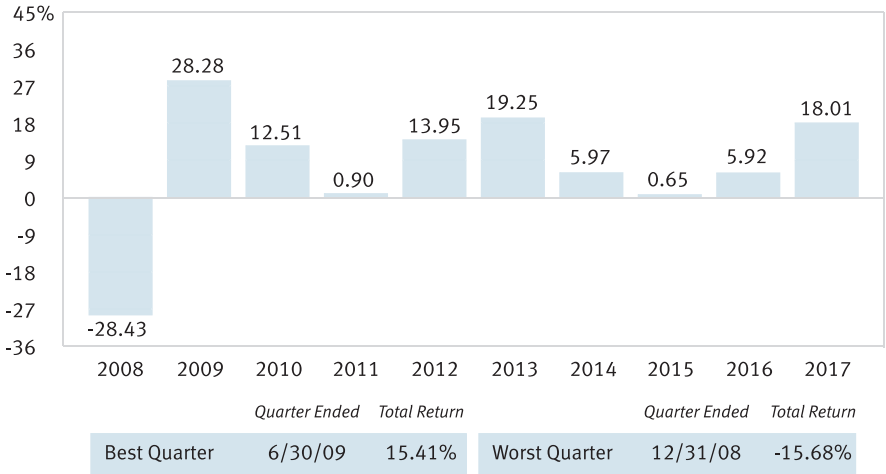
**Sector concentration risks** At times, the fund may have a significant portion of its assets invested in securities of companies conducting business in a broadly related group of industries within an economic sector. Companies in the same economic sector may be similarly affected by economic or market events, making the fund more vulnerable to unfavorable developments in that economic sector than funds that invest more broadly. For example, the fund may have a significant portion of its assets invested in securities of companies in the same economic sector may be similarly affected by economic or market events, making the fund more vulnerable to unfavorable developments in that economic sector than funds that invest more broadly. For example, the fund may have a significant portion of its assets invested in securities of companies in the information technology and financials sectors. Companies in the financials sector may be adversely impacted by, among other things, regulatory changes, economic conditions, interest rates, credit rating downgrades, and decreased liquidity in credit markets. Companies in the information technology sector can be adversely affected by, among other things, intense competition, earnings disappointments, and rapid obsolescence of products and services due to technological innovations or changing consumer preferences.

**Performance** The following performance information provides some indication of the risks of investing in the fund. The fund's performance information represents only past performance (before and after taxes) and is not necessarily an indication of future results.

The following bar chart illustrates how much returns can differ from year to year by showing calendar year returns and the best and worst calendar quarter returns during those years for the fund's Investor Class. Returns for other share classes vary since they have different expenses.



**Balanced Fund**  
*Calendar Year Returns*



The following table shows the average annual total returns for each class of the fund that has been in operation for at least one full calendar year, and also compares the returns with the returns of a relevant broad-based market index, as well as with the returns of one or more comparative indexes that have investment characteristics similar to those of the fund.

In addition, the table shows hypothetical after-tax returns to demonstrate how taxes paid by a shareholder may influence returns. After-tax returns are calculated using the historical highest individual federal marginal income tax rates and do not reflect the impact of state and local taxes. Actual after-tax returns depend on an investor's tax situation and may differ from those shown. After-tax returns shown are not relevant to investors who hold their fund shares through tax-deferred arrangements, such as a 401(k) account or an IRA. After-tax returns are shown only for the Investor Class and will differ for other share classes.

**Average Annual Total Returns**

Investor Class	Periods ended December 31, 2017				Inception date 12/31/1939
	1 Year	5 Years	10 Years	Since inception	
Returns before taxes	18.01 %	9.71 %	6.56 %	—%	
Returns after taxes on distributions	16.00	7.97	5.31	—	
Returns after taxes on distributions and sale of fund shares	11.35	7.26	4.93	—	
<b>I Class</b>					<b>12/17/2015</b>
Returns before taxes	18.20	—	—	11.86	
Morningstar Moderate Target Risk Index (reflects no deduction for fees, expenses, or taxes)	14.66	7.94	5.81	11.54 <sup>b</sup>	
Combined Index Portfolio (reflects no deduction for fees, expenses, or taxes) <sup>a</sup>	14.57	9.55	6.41	10.72 <sup>b</sup>	
Lipper Balanced Funds Index	14.10	8.73	5.73	10.44 <sup>b</sup>	

<sup>a</sup> Combined Index Portfolio is a blended benchmark composed of 50% domestic stocks (S&P 500 Index), 40% bonds (Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index), and 10% international stocks (MSCI EAFE Index) through 4/30/08. From 5/1/08 through 4/30/11, the blended benchmark was composed of 52% domestic stocks (S&P 500 Index), 35% bonds (Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index), and 13% international stocks (MSCI EAFE Index). From 5/1/11 through 7/31/12, the blended benchmark was composed of 52%-45.5% domestic stocks (S&P 500 Index), 35% bonds (Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index), and 13%-19.5% international stocks (MSCI EAFE Index). Since 8/1/12, the blended benchmark has been composed of 45.5% domestic stocks (S&P 500 Index), 35% bonds (Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Index), and 19.5% international stocks (MSCI EAFE Index). The indices and percentages may vary over time.

<sup>b</sup> Return as of 12/17/15.

Updated performance information is available through **troweprice.com**.

**Management**

**Investment Adviser** T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. (T. Rowe Price)

Portfolio Manager	Title	Managed Fund Since	Joined Investment Adviser
Charles M. Shriver	Chairman of Investment Advisory Committee	2011	1999

**Purchase and Sale of Fund Shares**

The Investor Class generally requires a \$2,500 minimum initial investment (\$1,000 minimum initial investment if opening an IRA, a custodial account for a minor, or a small business retirement plan account). Additional purchases generally require a \$100 minimum. These investment minimums may be waived or modified for

financial intermediaries and certain employer-sponsored retirement plans submitting orders on behalf of their customers.

The I Class generally requires a \$1,000,000 minimum initial investment and there is no minimum for additional purchases, although the initial investment minimum may be waived for intermediaries and retirement plans maintaining omnibus accounts, and certain institutional client accounts for which T. Rowe Price or its affiliate has discretionary investment authority.

For investors holding shares of the fund directly with T. Rowe Price, you may purchase, redeem, or exchange fund shares by mail; by telephone (1-800-225-5132 for IRAs and nonretirement accounts; 1-800-492-7670 for small business retirement plans; and 1-800-638-8790 for institutional investors and financial intermediaries); or, for certain accounts, by accessing your account online through **troweprice.com**.

If you hold shares through a financial intermediary or retirement plan, you must purchase, redeem, and exchange shares of the fund through your intermediary or retirement plan. You should check with your intermediary or retirement plan to determine the investment minimums that apply to your account.

### **Tax Information**

Any dividends are declared and paid quarterly in March, June, September, and December. Any capital gains are declared and paid annually, usually in December. Redemptions or exchanges of fund shares and distributions by the fund, whether or not you reinvest these amounts in additional fund shares, may be taxed as ordinary income or capital gains unless you invest through a tax-deferred account (in which case you will be taxed upon withdrawal from such account).

### **Payments to Broker-Dealers and Other Financial Intermediaries**

If you purchase shares of the fund through a broker-dealer or other financial intermediary (such as a bank), the fund and its related companies may pay the intermediary for the sale of fund shares and related services. These payments may create a conflict of interest by influencing the broker-dealer or other intermediary and your salesperson to recommend the fund over another investment. Ask your salesperson or visit your financial intermediary's website for more information. However, the fund and its investment adviser do not pay broker-dealers and other financial intermediaries for sales or related services of the I Class shares.

## ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

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### How is the fund organized?

The fund was incorporated in Maryland in 1991 and is an “open-end management investment company,” or mutual fund. Mutual funds pool money received from shareholders and invest it to try to achieve specified objectives.

*Shareholders have benefitted from T. Rowe Price’s investment management experience since 1937.*

### What is meant by “shares”?

As with all mutual funds, investors purchase shares when they put money in the fund. These shares are part of the fund’s authorized capital stock, but share certificates are not issued.

Each share and fractional share entitles the shareholder to:

- Receive a proportional interest in income and capital gain distributions. For funds with multiple share classes, the income dividends for each share class will generally differ from those of other share classes to the extent that the expense ratios of the classes differ.
- Cast one vote per share on certain fund matters, including the election of the fund’s directors, changes in fundamental policies, or approval of material changes to the fund’s investment management agreement. Shareholders of each class have exclusive voting rights on matters affecting only that class.

### Does the fund have annual shareholder meetings?

The mutual funds that are sponsored and managed by T. Rowe Price (the “T. Rowe Price Funds”) are not required to hold regularly scheduled shareholder meetings. To avoid unnecessary costs to the funds’ shareholders, shareholder meetings are only held when certain matters, such as changes in fundamental policies or elections of directors, must be decided. In addition, shareholders representing at least 10% of all eligible votes may call a special meeting for the purpose of voting on the removal of any fund director. If a meeting is held and you cannot attend, you can vote by proxy. Before the meeting, the funds will send or make available to you proxy materials that explain the matters to be decided and include instructions on voting by mail, telephone, or the Internet.

## Who runs the fund?

### General Oversight

The fund is governed by a Board of Directors (the “Board”) that meets regularly to review the fund’s investments, performance, expenses, and other business affairs. The Board elects the fund’s officers. At least 75% of Board members are independent of T. Rowe Price and its affiliates (the “Firm”).

### Investment Adviser

T. Rowe Price is the fund’s investment adviser and oversees the selection of the fund’s investments and management of the fund’s portfolio pursuant to an investment management agreement between the investment adviser and the fund. T. Rowe Price is an SEC-registered investment adviser that provides investment management services to individual and institutional investors, and sponsors and serves as adviser and subadviser to registered investment companies, institutional separate accounts, and common trust funds. The address for T. Rowe Price is 100 East Pratt Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. As of December 31, 2017, the Firm had approximately \$991 billion in assets under management and provided investment management services for more than 8 million individual and institutional investor accounts.

### Portfolio Management

T. Rowe Price has established an Investment Advisory Committee with respect to the fund. The committee chairman has day-to-day responsibility for managing the fund’s portfolio and works with the committee in developing and executing the fund’s investment program. The members of the committee are as follows: Charles M. Shriver, Chairman, Kimberly E. DeDominicis, Anna Dreyer, Robert M. Larkins, Wyatt A. Lee, Raymond A. Mills, Sebastien Page, Guido F. Stubenrauch, Toby M. Thompson, and Mark J. Vaselkiv. The following information provides the year that the chairman (the “portfolio manager”) first joined the Firm and the chairman’s specific business experience during the past five years (although the chairman may have had portfolio management responsibilities for a longer period). Mr. Shriver has been chairman of the committee since 2011. Mr. Shriver joined the Firm in 1991 and his investment experience dates from 1999. He has served as a portfolio manager with the Firm throughout the past five years. The Statement of Additional Information provides additional information about the portfolio manager’s compensation, other accounts managed by the portfolio manager, and the portfolio manager’s ownership of the fund’s shares.

### The Management Fee

The management fee consists of two components—an “individual fund fee,” which reflects the fund’s particular characteristics, and a “group fee.” The group fee, which is designed to reflect the benefits of the shared resources of the Firm, is calculated daily based on the combined net assets of all T. Rowe Price Funds (except the funds-of-funds, TRP Reserve Funds, Multi-Sector Account Portfolios, and any index or private-label mutual funds). The group fee schedule (in the following table) is

graduated, declining as the combined assets of the T. Rowe Price Funds rise, so shareholders benefit from the overall growth in mutual fund assets.

### **Group Fee Schedule**

0.334%*	First \$50 billion
0.305%	Next \$30 billion
0.300%	Next \$40 billion
0.295%	Next \$40 billion
0.290%	Next \$60 billion
0.285%	Next \$80 billion
0.280%	Next \$100 billion
0.275%	Next \$100 billion
0.270%	Next \$150 billion
0.265%	Thereafter

\* Represents a blended group fee rate containing various breakpoints.

The fund's group fee is determined by applying the group fee rate to the fund's average daily net assets. On December 31, 2017, the annual group fee rate was 0.29%. The individual fund fee, also applied to the fund's average daily net assets, is 0.15%.

With respect to the I Class, T. Rowe Price has agreed (through April 30, 2020) to pay the operating expenses of the fund's I Class excluding management fees; interest; expenses related to borrowings, taxes, and brokerage; nonrecurring, extraordinary expenses; and acquired fund fees and expenses ("I Class Operating Expenses"), to the extent the I Class Operating Expenses exceed 0.05% of the class' average daily net assets. Any expenses paid under this agreement (and a previous limitation of 0.05%) are subject to reimbursement to T. Rowe Price by the fund whenever the fund's I Class Operating Expenses are below 0.05%. However, no reimbursement will be made more than three years from the date such amounts were initially waived or reimbursed. The fund may only make repayments to T. Rowe Price if such repayment does not cause the I Class Operating Expenses (after the repayment is taken into account) to exceed both: (1) the limitation on I Class Operating Expenses in place at the time such amounts were waived; and (2) the current expense limitation on I Class Operating Expenses.

Pursuant to any agreement under which T. Rowe Price has agreed to waive or pay for certain expenses in order to keep a class' expenses below a certain amount, the class-specific expense limitation could result in waiving expenses that have not been allocated to only that particular class (referred to as "Fundwide Expenses"). T. Rowe Price has agreed to pay or reimburse Fundwide Expenses for all classes of the fund in the same proportional amount. Since Fundwide Expenses may be waived for all classes in certain situations in order to keep one class at or below its contractual limitation, a particular class of the fund may benefit from another class' expense limitation regardless of whether that class has its own expense limitation. In such

situations, Fundwide Expenses are subject to reimbursement to T. Rowe Price by the fund and each class whenever the class whose expense limitation resulted in the waiver of Fundwide Expenses is operating below its contractual expense limitation and such reimbursement will not cause the class' expense ratio to exceed either the expense limitation in place at the time of the waiver or any expense limitation in place at the time of reimbursement. In addition, each class will only reimburse T. Rowe Price for its proportional share of Fundwide Expenses that were waived or paid.

A discussion about the factors considered by the Board and its conclusions in approving the fund's investment management agreement (and any subadvisory agreement, if applicable) appear in the fund's semiannual report to shareholders for the period ended June 30.

## **MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE FUND'S PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT STRATEGIES AND ITS PRINCIPAL RISKS**

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Consider your investment goals, your time horizon for achieving them, and your tolerance for risk. Generally, the fund is intended for those seeking a middle-of-the-road approach that emphasizes stocks for potential capital appreciation and income to temper volatility. The fund should be appropriate for intermediate- to long-term investment goals.

If you are investing for principal safety and liquidity, you should consider a money market fund.

The fund offers a way to try to balance the potential capital appreciation of common stocks with the income and relative stability of bonds over the long term. Its share price should be less volatile than an all-stock fund. While there is no guarantee, spreading investments across several types of assets could reduce the fund's overall volatility, since prices of stocks and bonds may respond differently to changes in economic conditions and interest rate levels. A rise in bond prices, for example, could help offset a fall in stock prices. Money market securities should have a stabilizing influence. In addition, the income provided by bonds and money market securities can contribute positively to total return by cushioning the impact of any price declines and enhancing price increases.

The fund may invest up to 35% of its total assets in foreign stocks and bonds, which offer advantages but also can increase risk. The potential advantages are extra diversification and enhanced returns. Since foreign stock and bond markets may move independently from U.S. securities markets, they could reduce the fund's price fluctuations while offering a way to participate in markets that may generate attractive returns. However, if U.S. and foreign markets move in the same direction, the positive or negative effect on the fund's share price could be magnified.

As with any mutual fund, there is no guarantee the fund will achieve its objective. The fund's share price fluctuates, which means you could lose money when you sell your shares of the fund. The fund's program of investing in stocks, bonds, and money market securities exposes it to a variety of risks.

The principal risks associated with the fund's principal investment strategies include the following:

**Risks of stock investing** Stock prices can fall because of weakness in the broad market, a particular industry, or specific holdings. The value of the fund's stock investments could be subject to unpredictable declines in the value of individual stocks and periods of below-average performance in the equity market as a whole. Stock markets as a whole can decline for many reasons, including adverse local, political, social, or economic developments in the U.S. or abroad, changes in investor psychology, or heavy selling at the same time by major institutional investors in the market, such as mutual funds, pension funds, and banks. The prospects for an industry or company may deteriorate because of a variety of factors, including disappointing earnings or changes in the competitive environment. In the event an issuer is liquidated or declares bankruptcy, the claims of owners of the issuer's bonds and preferred stock take precedence over the claims of those who own common stock. In addition, the adviser's assessment of companies held by the fund may prove incorrect, resulting in losses or poor performance, even in rising markets. Finally, a fund's investment approach could fall out of favor with the investing public, resulting in lagging performance as compared with other types of funds. Legislative, regulatory, or tax developments may affect the investment strategies available to portfolio managers, which could adversely affect the ability to implement the fund's overall investment program and achieve the fund's investment objective.

**Interest rate risks** Prices of bonds and other fixed income securities typically increase as interest rates fall and prices typically decrease as interest rates rise (bond prices and interest rates usually move in opposite directions). Prices fall because the bonds and notes in the fund's portfolio become less attractive to other investors when securities with higher yields become available. Generally, securities with longer maturities or durations and funds with longer weighted average maturities or durations have greater interest rate risk. As a result, if the fund purchases longer-maturity bonds and interest rates rise, the fund's share price could decline. Mortgage-backed securities can react somewhat differently than other debt securities to interest rate changes. Falling rates can cause losses of principal due to increased mortgage prepayments, commonly referred to as prepayment risk, and rising interest rates can lead to decreased prepayments and greater volatility, commonly referred to as extension risk. The fund may be subject to a greater risk of rising interest rates due to the current period of historically low rates and the effect of any government fiscal policy initiatives and resulting market reaction to those initiatives. Over the past few years most fixed income markets have traded at low yields and certain debt



instruments have traded at negative yields. Low or negative interest rates may increase the fund's susceptibility to interest rate risk.

**Credit risks** An issuer of a debt instrument or counterparties to over-the-counter derivatives held by the fund may default (fail to make scheduled interest or principal payments), potentially reducing the fund's income and share price. Credit risk is increased when portfolio holdings are downgraded or the perceived creditworthiness of an issuer or counterparty deteriorates.

While the fund's bond investments will primarily be in investment-grade bonds, the fund may also hold high yield "junk" bonds, including those with the lowest rating. Investment-grade bonds are those rated from the highest (AAA) to medium (BBB) quality, and high yield bonds are rated BB (or equivalent) and lower. The latter are speculative since their issuers are more vulnerable to financial setbacks and recession than more creditworthy companies, but BBB rated bonds may have speculative elements as well. High yield bond issuers include small or relatively new companies lacking the history or capital to merit investment-grade status, former blue chip companies downgraded because of financial problems, companies electing to borrow heavily to finance or avoid a takeover or buyout, and firms with heavy debt loads.

**Liquidity risks** The fund may not be able to sell a holding in a timely manner at a desired price. Sectors of the bond market can experience sudden downturns in trading activity. During periods of reduced market liquidity, the spread between the price at which a security can be bought and the price at which it can be sold can widen, and the fund may not be able to sell a holding readily at a price that reflects what the fund believes it should be worth. Less liquid securities can also become more difficult to value. Liquidity risk may be the result of, among other things, the reduced number and capacity of traditional broker-dealers to make a market in fixed income securities or the lack of an active trading market. The potential for price movements related to liquidity risk may be magnified by a rising interest rate environment or other circumstances where selling activity from fixed income investors may be higher than normal, potentially causing prices to fall due to increased supply in the market.

**Prepayment risks** A fund investing in mortgage-backed securities, certain asset-backed securities, and other debt instruments that have embedded call options can be negatively impacted when interest rates fall because borrowers tend to refinance and prepay principal. Receiving increasing prepayments in a falling interest rate environment causes the average maturity of the portfolio to shorten, reducing its potential for price gains. It also requires the fund to reinvest proceeds at lower interest rates, which reduces the fund's total return and yield, and could result in a loss if bond prices fall below the level that the fund paid for them.

**Extension risks** A rise in interest rates or lack of refinancing opportunities can cause the fund's average maturity to lengthen unexpectedly due to a drop in expected prepayments of mortgage-backed securities, asset-backed securities, and callable debt

instruments. This would increase the fund's sensitivity to rising rates and its potential for price declines.

**Risks of international investing** To the extent the fund invests in international stocks and bonds, it is also subject to the special risks associated with such investments, whether denominated in U.S. dollars or foreign currencies. These risks include potentially adverse local, political, social, and economic developments overseas, greater volatility, less liquidity, differing regulatory environments and accounting standards, uncertain tax laws, different trading days and higher transaction costs than U.S. trading markets. A trading market may close without warning for extended time periods, preventing the fund from buying or selling securities in that market. International investments include the possibility that foreign currencies will decline against the U.S. dollar, lowering the value of securities denominated in those currencies. The overall impact of currency fluctuations on the fund's holdings can be significant and unpredictable, depending on the currencies represented in the fund's portfolio and how each foreign currency appreciates or depreciates in relation to the U.S. dollar and whether currency positions are hedged.

To the extent that the fund invests in emerging markets (including frontier markets), it is subject to greater risk than funds investing only in developed markets. The economic and political structures of emerging market countries, in most cases, do not compare favorably with the U.S. or other developed countries in terms of wealth and stability, and certain financial markets often lack liquidity. The economies of emerging market countries are less developed, can be overly reliant on particular industries, and more vulnerable to the ebb and flow of international trade, trade barriers, and other protectionist or retaliatory measures. While some emerging market countries have made progress in economic growth, liberalization, fiscal discipline, and political and social stability, there is no assurance these trends will continue and significant risks, such as war and terrorism, continue to affect some emerging market countries.

**Information technology sector risks** The fund may invest significantly in the information technology sector. Information technology companies face intense competition, both domestically and internationally, which may have an adverse effect on their profit margins. Like other technology companies, information technology companies may have limited product lines, markets, financial resources, or personnel. The products of information technology companies may face obsolescence due to rapid technological developments, frequent new product introduction, unpredictable changes in growth rates, and competition for the services of qualified personnel. Companies in the information technology sector are heavily dependent on patent and intellectual property rights. The loss or impairment of these rights may adversely affect the profitability of these companies.

**Efforts to reduce risks** Consistent with the fund's objective, the portfolio manager uses various tools to try to reduce risks and increase total return, including:

- Attempting to reduce the impact of a single holding on the fund's net asset value.
- Thorough research of stocks, bonds, and other investments by our analysts to find the most favorable investment opportunities.
- Gradual shifts in allocations to stocks, bonds, and other investments to take advantage of market opportunities and changing economic conditions, or to adjust the portfolio's expected volatility profile.
- Adjusting the fund's duration to try to reduce the drop in its share price when interest rates rise or to benefit from a rise in bond prices when interest rates fall. (For example, when interest rates rise, the portfolio manager may seek to lower the fund's overall duration in an effort to reduce the adverse impact on the fund's share price.)

In addition, other risks associated with the additional investment strategies that may be employed by the fund include the following:

**Additional strategies and risks** While most assets will be invested in common stocks and bonds, the fund may employ other strategies that are not considered part of the fund's principal investment strategies. From time to time, the fund may invest in other securities and debt instruments (such as preferred stocks, convertible securities, and bank loans), as well as use derivatives that are consistent with its investment program. For instance, the fund may, to a limited extent, use futures contracts and swaps. Any investments in futures would typically serve as an efficient means of gaining exposure to certain markets or adjusting the fund's interest rate exposure, or as a tool to manage cash flows into and out of the fund and maintain liquidity while being invested in the market. Futures may be used to manage the fund's asset class exposure or associated volatility profile. Any investments in swaps would typically serve to manage the fund's exposure to changes in interest rates or credit quality, or to protect the value of certain portfolio holdings. To the extent the fund invests in futures and swaps, it could be exposed to potential volatility and losses in excess of the fund's initial investment, and the risk that changes in interest rate movements or the creditworthiness of an issuer will not be accurately predicted.

The use of derivatives, if any, exposes the fund to risks that are different from, and potentially greater than, investments in more traditional securities. Changes in the value of a derivative may not properly correlate with changes in the value of the underlying asset, reference rate, or index and may not move in the direction anticipated by the portfolio manager. Derivatives can also be illiquid and difficult to value, the fund could be exposed to significant losses if a counterparty becomes insolvent or is unable to meet its obligations under the contract, and there is the possibility that limitations or trading restrictions may be imposed by an exchange or government regulation.

Recent regulations have changed the requirements related to the use of certain derivatives. Some of these new regulations have limited the availability of certain derivatives and made their use by funds more costly. It is expected that additional changes to the regulatory framework will occur, but the extent and impact of additional new regulations are not certain at this time.

**Banking and financial companies risks** The fund may invest significantly in banks and other financial services companies. To the extent the fund has significant investments in financial companies, it is more susceptible to adverse developments affecting such companies and may perform poorly during a downturn in the banking industry. Banks can be adversely affected by, among other things, regulatory changes, interest rate movements, the availability of capital and the cost to borrow, and the rate of debt defaults. Banks and other financial services institutions are often subject to extensive governmental regulation and intervention, and the potential for additional regulation could reduce profit margins and adversely affect the scope of their activities, the amount of capital they must maintain, and limit the amounts and types of loans and other financial commitments they can make. In addition, companies in the financials sector may also be adversely affected by decreases in the availability of money or asset valuations, credit rating downgrades, increased competition, and adverse conditions in other related markets.

The oversight of, and regulations applicable to, banks in emerging markets may be ineffective when compared with the regulatory frameworks for banks in developed markets. Banks in emerging markets may have significantly less access to capital than banks in more developed markets, leading them to be more likely to fail under adverse economic conditions. In addition, the impact of future regulation on any individual bank, or on the financial services sector as a whole, can be very difficult to predict.

***We regularly review the asset allocation and may make gradual changes, within allowed ranges, based on our outlook for the economy, interest rates, and financial markets. The fund will not attempt to time short-term market swings.***

The Statement of Additional Information contains more detailed information about the fund and its investments, operations, and expenses.

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## **INVESTMENT POLICIES AND PRACTICES**

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This section provides a more detailed description of the various types of portfolio holdings and investment practices that may be used by the fund to execute its overall investment program. Some of these holdings are considered to be principal investment strategies of the fund and have already been described earlier in the prospectus. Any of the following holdings and investment practices that were not already described in Section 1 of the prospectus are not considered part of the fund's

principal investment strategies, but they may be used by the fund to help achieve its investment objective. The fund's investments may be subject to further restrictions and risks described in the Statement of Additional Information.

Shareholder approval is required to substantively change the fund's investment objective. Shareholder approval is also required to change certain investment restrictions noted in the following section as "fundamental policies." Portfolio managers also follow certain "operating policies" that can be changed without shareholder approval.

The fund's holdings in certain kinds of investments cannot exceed maximum percentages as set forth in this prospectus and the Statement of Additional Information. For instance, there are limitations regarding the fund's investments in certain types of derivatives. While these restrictions provide a useful level of detail about the fund's investments, investors should not view them as an accurate gauge of the potential risk of such investments. For example, in a given period, a 5% investment in derivatives could have a significantly greater impact on the fund's share price than its weighting in the portfolio. The net effect of a particular investment depends on its volatility and the size of its overall return in relation to the performance of all of the fund's investments.

Certain investment restrictions, such as a required minimum or maximum investment in a particular type of security, are measured at the time the fund purchases a security. The status, market value, maturity, duration, credit quality, or other characteristics of the fund's securities may change after they are purchased, and this may cause the amount of the fund's assets invested in such securities to exceed the stated maximum restriction or fall below the stated minimum restriction. If any of these changes occur, it would not be considered a violation of the investment restriction and will not require the sale of an investment if it was proper at the time the investment was made (this exception does not apply to the fund's borrowing policy). However, certain changes will require holdings to be sold or purchased by the fund during the time it is above or below the stated percentage restriction in order for the fund to be in compliance with applicable restrictions.

Changes in the fund's holdings, the fund's performance, and the contribution of various investments to the fund's performance are discussed in the shareholder reports.

***Portfolio managers have considerable discretion in choosing investment strategies and selecting securities they believe will help achieve the fund's objective.***

### **Types of Portfolio Securities**

In seeking to meet its investment objective, the fund may invest in any type of security or instrument (including certain potentially high-risk derivatives described in this section) whose investment characteristics are consistent with its investment program. The following pages describe various types of the fund's holdings and

investment management practices, some of which are also described as part of the fund's principal investment strategies.

*Diversification* As a fundamental policy, the fund will not purchase a security if, as a result, with respect to 75% of its total assets, more than 5% of the fund's total assets would be invested in securities of a single issuer or more than 10% of the outstanding voting securities of the issuer would be held by the fund.

### **Common and Preferred Stocks**

Stocks represent shares of ownership in a company. Generally, preferred stocks have a specified dividend rate and rank after bonds and before common stocks in their claim on income for dividend payments and on assets should the company be liquidated. After other claims are satisfied, common stockholders participate in company profits on a pro-rata basis and profits may be paid out in dividends or reinvested in the company to help it grow. Increases and decreases in earnings are usually reflected in a company's stock price, so common stocks generally have the greatest appreciation and depreciation potential of all corporate securities. Unlike common stock, preferred stock does not ordinarily carry voting rights. While most preferred stocks pay a dividend, the fund may decide to purchase preferred stock where the issuer has suspended, or is in danger of suspending, payment of its dividend.

### **Convertible Securities and Warrants**

The fund may invest in debt instruments or preferred equity securities that are convertible into, or exchangeable for, equity securities at specified times in the future and according to a certain exchange ratio. Convertible bonds are typically callable by the issuer, which could in effect force conversion before the holder would otherwise choose. Traditionally, convertible securities have paid dividends or interest at rates higher than common stocks but lower than nonconvertible securities. They generally participate in the appreciation or depreciation of the underlying stock into which they are convertible, but to a lesser degree than common stock. Some convertible securities combine higher or lower current income with options and other features. Warrants are options to buy, directly from the issuer, a stated number of shares of common stock at a specified price anytime during the life of the warrants (generally, two or more years). Warrants have no voting rights, pay no dividends, and can be highly volatile. In some cases, the redemption value of a warrant could be zero.

### **Foreign Securities**

The fund may invest in foreign securities. Foreign securities could include non-U.S. dollar-denominated securities traded outside the U.S. and U.S. dollar-denominated securities of foreign issuers traded in the U.S. Investing in foreign securities involves special risks that can increase the potential for losses. These include exposure to potentially adverse local, political, social, and economic developments such as war, political instability, hyperinflation, currency devaluations, and overdependence on particular industries; government interference in markets such as nationalization and

exchange controls, expropriation of assets, or imposition of punitive taxes; the imposition of international trade and capital barriers, and other protectionist or retaliatory measures; potentially lower liquidity and higher volatility; possible problems arising from accounting, disclosure, settlement, and regulatory practices and legal rights that differ from U.S. standards; and the potential for fluctuations in foreign exchange rates to decrease the investment's value (favorable changes can increase its value). These risks are heightened for the fund's investments in emerging markets. The fund may purchase American Depositary Receipts and Global Depositary Receipts, which are certificates evidencing ownership of shares of a foreign issuer. American Depositary Receipts and Global Depositary Receipts trade on established markets and are alternatives to directly purchasing the underlying foreign securities in their local markets and currencies. Such investments are subject to many of the same risks associated with investing directly in foreign securities. For purposes of the fund's investment policies, investments in depositary receipts are deemed to be investments in the underlying securities. For example, a depositary receipt representing ownership of common stock will be treated as common stock.

*Operating policy* The fund may invest up to 35% of its total assets in foreign securities, provided that the bond portion of the fund may be invested without limitation in U.S. dollar-denominated bonds issued by foreign companies. Subject to the overall limit on the fund's investments in foreign securities, there is no limit on the amount of foreign investments that may be made in emerging markets.

## **Bonds**

A bond is an interest-bearing security. The issuer has a contractual obligation to pay interest at a stated rate on specific dates and to repay principal (the bond's face value) on a specified date. An issuer may have the right to redeem or "call" a bond before maturity, and the investor may have to reinvest the proceeds at lower market rates. Bonds can be issued by U.S. and foreign governments, states, and municipalities, as well as a wide variety of companies.

A bond's annual interest income, set by its coupon rate, is usually fixed for the life of the bond. Its yield (income as a percent of current price) will fluctuate to reflect changes in interest rate levels. A bond's price usually rises when interest rates fall and vice versa, so its yield generally stays consistent with current market conditions.

Conventional fixed rate bonds offer a coupon rate for a fixed maturity with no adjustment for inflation. Real rate of return bonds also offer a fixed coupon but include ongoing inflation adjustments for the life of the bond.

Bonds may be unsecured (backed by the issuer's general creditworthiness only) or secured (also backed by specified collateral). Bonds include asset- and mortgage-backed securities.

Certain bonds have floating or variable interest rates that are adjusted periodically based on a particular index. These interest rate adjustments tend to minimize

fluctuations in the bonds' principal values. The maturity of certain floating rate securities may be shortened under certain specified conditions.

*Operating policy* The fund will invest at least 25% of its total assets in fixed income senior securities, which are securities that rank above another security in the event of the issuer's bankruptcy or liquidation. Fixed income senior securities may include investments in money market securities and shares of other fixed income and money market mutual funds.

### **Mortgage-Backed Securities**

The fund may invest in a variety of mortgage-backed securities. Mortgage lenders pool individual home mortgages with similar characteristics to back a certificate or bond, which is sold to investors such as the fund. Interest and principal payments generated by the underlying mortgages are passed through to the investors. The "big three" issuers are the Government National Mortgage Association, the Federal National Mortgage Association, and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation. Government National Mortgage Association certificates are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government, while others, such as the Federal National Mortgage Association and Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation certificates, are only supported by the ability to borrow from the U.S. Treasury or by the credit of the agency. (Since September 2008, the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation have operated under conservatorship of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, an independent federal agency.) Private mortgage bankers and other institutions also issue mortgage-backed securities.

Mortgage-backed securities are subject to scheduled and unscheduled principal payments as homeowners pay down or prepay their mortgages. As these payments are received, they must be reinvested when interest rates may be higher or lower than on the original mortgage security. Therefore, these securities are not an effective means of locking in long-term interest rates. In addition, when interest rates fall, the rate of mortgage prepayments, including refinancings, tends to increase. Refinanced mortgages are paid off at face value or "par," causing a loss for any investor who may have purchased the security at a price above par. In such an environment, this risk limits the potential price appreciation of these securities and can negatively affect the fund's net asset value. When interest rates rise, the prices of mortgage-backed securities can be expected to decline. In addition, when interest rates rise and prepayments slow, the effective duration of mortgage-backed securities extends, resulting in increased price volatility.

Additional mortgage-backed securities in which the fund may invest include:

**Collateralized Mortgage Obligations** Collateralized mortgage obligations are debt instruments that are fully collateralized by a portfolio of mortgages or mortgage-backed securities including Government National Mortgage Association, Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, and non-agency-backed mortgages. All interest and principal payments from the underlying



mortgages are passed through to the collateralized mortgage obligations in such a way as to create different classes with varying risk characteristics, payment structures, and maturity dates. Collateralized mortgage obligation classes may pay fixed or variable rates of interest, and certain classes have priority over others with respect to the receipt of prepayments and allocation of defaults.

**Stripped Mortgage Securities** Stripped mortgage securities are created by separating the interest and principal payments generated by a pool of mortgage-backed securities or a collateralized mortgage obligation to create additional classes of securities. Generally, one class receives interest-only payments and another receives principal-only payments. Unlike other mortgage-backed securities and principal-only strips, the value of interest-only strips tends to move in the same direction as interest rates. The fund can use interest-only strips as a hedge against falling prepayment rates (when interest rates are rising) and/or in an unfavorable market environment. Principal-only strips can be used as a hedge against rising prepayment rates (when interest rates are falling) and/or in a favorable market environment. Interest-only strips and principal-only strips are acutely sensitive to interest rate changes and to the rate of principal prepayments.

A rapid or unexpected increase in prepayments can severely depress the price of interest-only strips, while a rapid or unexpected decrease in prepayments could have the same effect on principal-only strips. Of course, under the opposite conditions these securities may appreciate in value. These securities can be very volatile in price and may have less liquidity than most other mortgage-backed securities. Certain non-stripped collateralized mortgage obligation classes may also exhibit these qualities, especially those that pay variable rates of interest that adjust inversely with, and more rapidly than, short-term interest rates. In addition, if interest rates rise rapidly and prepayment rates slow more than expected, certain collateralized mortgage obligation classes, in addition to losing value, can exhibit characteristics of long-term securities and become more volatile. There is no guarantee that the fund's investments in collateralized mortgage obligations, interest-only strips, or principal-only strips will be successful, and the fund's total return could be adversely affected as a result.

**Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities** Commercial mortgage-backed securities are securities created from a pool of commercial mortgage loans, such as loans for hotels, shopping centers, office buildings, and apartment buildings. Interest and principal payments from the loans are passed on to the investor according to a schedule of payments. Credit quality depends primarily on the quality of the loans themselves and on the structure of the particular deal. Generally, deals are structured with senior and subordinate classes. The degree of subordination is determined by the rating agencies that rate the individual classes of the structure. Commercial mortgages are generally structured with prepayment penalties, which greatly reduce prepayment risk to the investor. However, the value of these securities may change because of actual or perceived changes in the creditworthiness of the individual

borrowers, their tenants, the servicing agents, or the general state of commercial real estate.

*Operating policy* The fund may invest up to 20% of its total assets in mortgage-backed securities, including up to 10% in stripped mortgage securities.

### **Asset-Backed Securities**

An underlying pool of assets, such as credit card or automobile trade receivables or corporate loans or bonds, backs these bonds and provides the interest and principal payments to investors. On occasion, the pool of assets may also include a swap obligation, which is used to change the cash flows on the underlying assets. As an example, a swap may be used to allow floating rate assets to back a fixed rate obligation. Credit quality depends primarily on the quality of the underlying assets, the level of any credit support provided by the structure or by a third-party insurance wrap or a line of credit, and the credit quality of the swap counterparty, if any. The underlying assets (i.e., loans) are sometimes subject to prepayments, which can shorten the security's effective maturity and may lower its return. The value of these securities also may change because of actual or perceived changes in the creditworthiness of the individual borrowers, the originator, the servicing agent, the financial institution providing the credit support, or the swap counterparty. There is no limit on the portion of the fund's fixed income investments that may be invested in asset-backed securities.

### **Municipal Securities**

The fund may invest in municipal notes and bonds, which are interest-bearing securities issued by state and local governments and governmental authorities to pay for public projects and services. The issuer of a municipal security has a contractual obligation to pay interest at a stated rate and to repay principal (the bond's face value) on a specified date. An issuer may have the right to redeem or "call" a bond before maturity, which could require reinvestment of the proceeds at lower rates. The fund may purchase insured municipal bonds, which provide a guarantee that the bond's interest and principal will be paid when due if the issuing entity defaults. Municipal bond insurance does not guarantee the price of the bond.

Income received from most municipal securities is exempt from federal income taxes. As a result, the yield on a municipal bond is typically lower than the yield on a taxable bond of similar quality and maturity. Like a taxable bond, a municipal bond's price usually rises when interest rates fall and vice versa so its yield generally stays consistent with current market conditions.

### **Inflation-Linked Securities**

Inflation-linked securities are income-generating instruments whose interest and principal payments are adjusted for inflation—a sustained increase in prices of goods and services that erodes the purchasing power of money. Treasury inflation-protected securities are inflation-linked securities issued by the U.S. government. Inflation-linked bonds are also issued by corporations, U.S. government agencies, and foreign

governments. The inflation adjustment, which is typically applied monthly to the principal of the bond, follows a designated inflation index, such as the Consumer Price Index. A fixed coupon rate is applied to the inflation-adjusted principal so that as inflation rises, both the principal value and the interest payments increase. This can provide investors with a hedge against inflation, as it helps preserve the purchasing power of your investment. Because of this inflation-adjustment feature, inflation-protected bonds typically have lower yields than conventional fixed rate bonds.

Inflation-protected bonds normally will decline in price when real interest rates rise. (A real interest rate is calculated by subtracting the inflation rate from a nominal interest rate. For example, if a 10-year Treasury note is yielding 5% and inflation expectations for the next 10 years are 2%, the real interest rate is 3%.) If inflation is negative, the principal and income of an inflation-protected bond could decline and result in losses for the fund.

### **Loan Participations and Assignments**

The fund may make investments through the purchase or execution of a privately negotiated note or loan, or may acquire loans as an assignment from another lender that holds a direct interest in the loan or as a participation interest in another lender's portion of the loan. Larger loans to corporations or governments may be shared or syndicated among several lenders, usually banks. The fund could participate in such syndicates or could buy part of a loan, becoming a direct lender. These loans may often be obligations of companies or governments in financial distress or in default. These investments involve special types of risk, including those of being a lender, reduced liquidity, increased credit risk, and volatility.

Bank loans may be acquired directly through an agent acting on behalf of the lenders participating in the loan, as an assignment from another lender who holds a direct interest in the loan, or as a participation interest in another lender's portion of the loan. An assignment typically results in the purchaser succeeding to all rights and obligations under the loan agreement between the assigning lender and the borrower. However, assignments may be arranged through private negotiations, and the rights and obligations acquired by the purchaser of an assignment may differ from, and be more limited than, those held by the assigning lender.

A participation interest is a fractional interest in a loan, issued by a lender or other financial institution. To the extent the fund invests in loans through participation interests, it will be more difficult for it to enforce its rights against the borrower because it will have established a direct contractual relationship with the seller of the participation interest but not with the borrower. When the fund invests in a loan by participation, it must rely on another party not only for the enforcement of its rights against the borrower, but also for the receipt and processing of payments due under the loan. Investing in a participation interest limits the fund's ability to file a claim directly as a creditor in the event of the borrower's bankruptcy.

*Operating policy* The fund's investments in loan participations and assignments are limited to 10% of its total assets.

### **High Yield Bonds**

The price and yield of noninvestment-grade (high yield) bonds, including noninvestment-grade emerging market bonds, can be expected to fluctuate more than the price and yield of higher-quality bonds. Because these bonds are rated below BBB (or an equivalent rating) or are in default, they are regarded as predominantly speculative with respect to the issuer's continuing ability to meet principal and interest payments. Successful investment in lower-medium and low-quality bonds involves greater investment risk and is highly dependent on T. Rowe Price's credit analysis. A real or perceived economic downturn or higher interest rates could cause a decline in high yield bond prices by lessening the ability of issuers to make principal and interest payments. These bonds are often thinly traded and can be more difficult to sell and value accurately than higher-quality bonds. Because objective pricing data may be less available, judgment may play a greater role in the valuation process. In addition, the entire high yield bond market can experience sudden and sharp price swings due to a variety of factors, including changes in economic forecasts, stock market activity, large or sustained sales by major investors, a high profile default, or just a change in the market's psychology.

*Operating policy* The fund may purchase any type of noninvestment-grade debt security, "junk" bond, or loan, including those in default. The fund will not purchase these types of instruments if it would have more than 10% of its total assets invested in such instruments. The fund's investments in convertible securities are not subject to this limit.

***The fund may continue to hold a security that has been downgraded or has lost its investment-grade rating after purchase.***

### **Zero Coupon Bonds and Pay-in-Kind Bonds**

A zero coupon bond does not make cash interest payments during a portion or all of the life of the bond. Instead, it is sold at a deep discount to face value, and the interest consists of the gradual appreciation in price as the bond approaches maturity. Zero coupon bonds can be an attractive financing method for issuers with near-term cash-flow problems or seeking to preserve liquidity. Pay-in-kind bonds pay interest in cash or additional securities, at the issuer's option, for a specified period. Like zero coupon bonds, they may help a corporation conserve cash flow. Pay-in-kind prices reflect the market value of the underlying debt plus any accrued interest. Zero coupon bonds and pay-in-kinds can be higher- or lower-quality debt, and both are more volatile than coupon bonds.

The fund is required to distribute to shareholders income imputed to any zero coupon bonds or pay-in-kind investments even though such income may not be received by the fund as distributable cash. Such distributions could reduce the fund's reserve position and require it to sell securities and incur a gain or loss at a time it

may not otherwise want to in order to provide the cash necessary for these distributions.

### **Derivatives and Leverage**

A derivative is a financial instrument whose value is derived from an underlying security, such as a stock or bond, or from a market benchmark, such as an interest rate index. Many types of investments representing a wide range of risks and potential rewards may be considered derivatives, including conventional instruments such as futures and options, as well as other potentially more complex investments such as swaps and structured notes. The use of derivatives can involve leverage. Leverage has the effect of magnifying returns, positively or negatively. The effect on returns will depend on the extent to which an investment is leveraged. For example, an investment of \$1, leveraged at 2 to 1, would have the effect of an investment of \$2. Leverage ratios can be higher or lower with a corresponding effect on returns. The fund may use derivatives in a variety of situations, including for the purposes of accomplishing any or all of the following: as a hedge against a decline in principal value, to increase yield, to gain exposure to eligible asset classes or securities with greater efficiency and at a lower cost than is possible through a direct investment, or to adjust portfolio duration or credit risk exposures. In accordance with the Investment Company Act of 1940 and various SEC and SEC staff interpretive positions, the fund must “set aside” (often referred to as “asset segregation”) liquid assets, or engage in other SEC or staff-approved measures, to “cover” open positions with respect to certain kinds of derivative instruments.

Derivatives that may be used include the following instruments, as well as others that combine the risk characteristics and features of futures, options, and swaps:

### **Futures and Options**

Futures are often used to establish exposures or manage or hedge risk because they enable the investor to buy or sell an asset in the future at an agreed-upon price. Options may be used to generate additional income, to enhance returns, or as a defensive technique to protect against anticipated declines in the value of an asset. Call options give the investor the right to purchase (when the investor purchases the option), or the obligation to sell (when the investor “writes” or sells the option), an asset at a predetermined price in the future. Put options give the purchaser of the option the right to sell, or the seller (or “writer”) of the option the obligation to buy, an asset at a predetermined price in the future. Futures and options contracts may be bought or sold for any number of reasons, including to manage exposure to changes in interest rates, bond prices, foreign currencies, and credit quality; as an efficient means of increasing or decreasing the fund’s exposure to certain markets; in an effort to enhance income; to improve risk-adjusted returns; to protect the value of portfolio securities; and to serve as a cash management tool. Call or put options may be purchased or sold on securities, futures, financial indexes, and foreign currencies. The fund may choose to continue a futures contract by “rolling over” an expiring

futures contract into an identical contract with a later maturity date. This could increase the fund's transaction costs and portfolio turnover rate.

Futures and options contracts may not always be successful investments or hedges; their prices can be highly volatile; using them could lower the fund's total return; the potential loss from the use of futures can exceed the fund's initial investment in such contracts; and the losses from certain options written by the fund could be unlimited.

*Operating policies* Initial margin deposits on futures and premiums on options used for non-hedging purposes will not exceed 5% of the fund's net asset value. The total market value of securities covering call or put options may not exceed 25% of the fund's total assets. No more than 5% of the fund's total assets will be committed to premiums when purchasing call or put options.

## Swaps

The fund may invest in interest rate, index, total return, credit default, and other types of swap agreements, as well as options on swaps, commonly referred to as "swaptions," and interest rate swap futures, which are instruments that provide a way to obtain swap exposure and the benefits of futures in one contract. All of these agreements are considered derivatives and, in certain cases, high-risk derivatives. Interest rate, index, and total return swaps are two-party contracts under which the fund and a counterparty, such as a broker or dealer, agree to exchange the returns (or differentials in rates of return) earned or realized on particular predetermined investments or indexes. Credit default swaps are agreements where one party (the protection buyer) will make periodic payments to another party (the protection seller) in exchange for protection against specified credit events, such as defaults and bankruptcies related to an issuer or underlying credit instrument. Swap futures are futures contracts on interest rate swaps that enable purchasers to settle in cash at a future date at the price determined by a specific benchmark rate at the end of a fixed period. Swaps, swaptions, and swap futures can be used for a variety of purposes, including to manage the fund's overall exposure to changes in interest or foreign currency exchange rates and credit quality; as an efficient means of adjusting the fund's exposure to certain markets; in an effort to enhance income or total return or protect the value of portfolio securities; to serve as a cash management tool; and to adjust portfolio duration or credit risk exposure.

There are risks in the use of swaps and related instruments. Swaps could result in losses if interest or foreign currency exchange rates or credit quality changes are not correctly anticipated by the fund. Total return swaps could result in losses if the reference index, security, or investments do not perform as anticipated. Credit default swaps can increase the fund's exposure to credit risk and could result in losses if evaluation of the creditworthiness of the counterparty, or of the company or government on which the credit default swap is based, is incorrect. The use of swaps, swaptions, and swap futures may not always be successful. Using them could lower the fund's total return, their prices can be highly volatile, and the potential loss from

the use of swaps can exceed the fund's initial investment in such instruments. Also, the other party to a swap agreement could default on its obligations or refuse to cash out the fund's investment at a reasonable price, which could turn an expected gain into a loss. Although there should be minimal counterparty risk associated with investments in interest rate swap futures, the fund could experience delays and/or losses due to the bankruptcy of a swap dealer through which the fund engaged in the transaction.

*Operating policies* A swap agreement with any single counterparty will not be entered into if the net amount owed or to be received under existing contracts with that party would exceed 5% of the fund's fixed income assets or if the net amount owed or to be received by the fund under all outstanding swap agreements will exceed 10% of its fixed income assets. (Swap agreements that are cleared and settled through a clearinghouse, or traded on an exchange or swap execution facility, are not subject to these limits.) For swaptions, the total market value of securities covering call or put options may not exceed 25% of the fund's total assets. No more than 5% of the fund's total assets will be committed to premiums when purchasing call or put swaptions.

### **Hybrid Instruments**

Hybrid instruments (a type of potentially high-risk derivative) can combine the characteristics of securities, futures, and options. For example, the principal amount or interest rate of a hybrid could be tied (positively or negatively) to the price of some commodity, currency, security, or securities index or another interest rate (each a "benchmark"). Hybrids can be used as an efficient means of pursuing a variety of investment goals, including currency hedging, duration management, and increased total return. Hybrids may or may not bear interest or pay dividends. The value of a hybrid or its interest rate may be a multiple of a benchmark and, as a result, may be leveraged and move (up or down) more steeply and rapidly than the benchmark. These benchmarks may be sensitive to economic and political events, such as commodity shortages and currency devaluations, which cannot be readily foreseen by the purchaser of a hybrid. Under certain conditions, the redemption value of a hybrid could be zero. Thus, an investment in a hybrid may entail significant market risks that are not associated with a similar investment in a traditional, U.S. dollar-denominated bond that has a fixed principal amount and pays a fixed rate or floating rate of interest. The purchase of hybrids also exposes the fund to the credit risk of the issuer of the hybrid. These risks may cause significant fluctuations in the net asset value of the fund.

***Hybrids can have volatile prices and limited liquidity, and their use may not be successful.***

*Operating policy* The fund's investments in hybrid instruments are limited to 10% of its total assets.

## Currency Derivatives

A fund that invests in foreign securities may attempt to hedge its exposure to potentially unfavorable currency changes. The primary means of doing this is through the use of forward currency exchange contracts, which are contracts between two counterparties to exchange one currency for another on a future date at a specified exchange rate. The fund may also use these instruments to create a synthetic bond, which is issued in one currency with the currency component transformed into another currency. However, futures, swaps, and options on foreign currencies may also be used. In certain circumstances, the fund may use currency derivatives to substitute a different currency for the currency in which the investment is denominated, a strategy known as proxy hedging. If the fund were to engage in any of these foreign currency transactions, it could serve to protect its foreign securities from adverse currency movements relative to the U.S. dollar, although the fund may also use currency derivatives in an effort to gain exposure to a currency expected to appreciate in value versus other currencies. As a result, the fund could be invested in a currency without holding any securities denominated in that currency. Such transactions involve, among other risks, the risk that anticipated currency movements will not occur, which could reduce the fund's total return. There are certain markets, including many emerging markets, where it is not possible to engage in effective foreign currency hedging.

*Operating policy* The fund will not commit more than 10% of its total assets to any combination of currency derivatives.

## Investments in Other Investment Companies

The fund may invest in other investment companies, including open-end funds, closed-end funds, and exchange-traded funds.

The fund may purchase the securities of another investment company to temporarily gain exposure to a portion of the market while awaiting purchase of securities or as an efficient means of gaining exposure to a particular asset class. The fund might also purchase shares of another investment company to gain exposure to the securities in the investment company's portfolio at times when the fund may not be able to buy those securities directly. Any investment in another investment company would be consistent with the fund's objective and investment program.

The risks of owning another investment company are generally similar to the risks of investing directly in the securities in which that investment company invests. However, an investment company may not achieve its investment objective or execute its investment strategy effectively, which may adversely affect the fund's performance. In addition, because closed-end funds and exchange-traded funds trade on a secondary market, their shares may trade at a premium or discount to the actual net asset value of their portfolio securities and their shares may have greater volatility if an active trading market does not exist.



As a shareholder of another investment company, the fund must pay its pro-rata share of that investment company's fees and expenses. The fund's investments in non-T. Rowe Price investment companies are subject to the limits that apply to investments in other funds under the Investment Company Act of 1940 or under any applicable exemptive order.

The fund may also invest in certain other T. Rowe Price Funds as a means of gaining efficient and cost-effective exposure to certain asset classes, provided the investment is consistent with the fund's investment program and policies.

Investments in other investment companies could allow the fund to obtain the benefits of a more diversified portfolio than might otherwise be available through direct investments in a particular asset class, and will subject the fund to the risks associated with the particular asset class or asset classes in which an underlying fund invests. Examples of asset classes in which other mutual funds (including T. Rowe Price Funds) focus their investments include high yield bonds, inflation-linked securities, floating rate loans, international bonds, emerging market bonds, stocks of companies involved in activities related to real assets, stocks of companies that focus on a particular industry or sector, and emerging market stocks. If the fund invests in another T. Rowe Price Fund, the management fee paid by the fund will be reduced to ensure that the fund does not incur duplicate management fees as a result of its investment.

### **Illiquid Securities**

Some of the fund's holdings may be considered illiquid because they are subject to legal or contractual restrictions on resale or because they cannot be sold in the ordinary course of business within seven days at approximately the prices at which they are valued. The determination of liquidity involves a variety of factors. Illiquid securities may include private placements that are sold directly to a small number of investors, usually institutions. Unlike public offerings, such securities are not registered with the SEC. Although certain of these securities may be readily sold (for example, pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933) and therefore deemed liquid, others may have resale restrictions and be considered illiquid. The sale of illiquid securities may involve substantial delays and additional costs, and the fund may only be able to sell such securities at prices substantially lower than what it believes they are worth.

*Operating policy* The fund may not purchase an illiquid security if it holds 15% or more of its net assets in illiquid securities.

### **Types of Investment Management Practices**

#### **Reserve Position**

A certain portion of the fund's assets may be held in reserves. The fund's reserve positions will primarily consist of: (1) shares of a T. Rowe Price internal money market fund or short-term bond fund (which does not charge any management fees); (2) short-term, high-quality U.S. and foreign dollar-denominated money market

securities, including repurchase agreements; and (3) U.S. dollar or non-U.S. dollar currencies. In order to respond to adverse market, economic, political, or other conditions, the fund may assume a temporary defensive position that is inconsistent with its principal investment objective and/or strategies and may invest, without limitation, in reserves. If the fund has significant holdings in reserves, it could compromise its ability to achieve its objective. The reserve position provides flexibility in meeting redemptions, paying expenses, and managing cash flows into the fund and can serve as a short-term defense during periods of unusual market volatility. Non-U.S. dollar reserves are subject to currency risk.

### **When-Issued Securities and Forwards**

The fund may purchase securities on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis or may purchase or sell securities on a forward commitment basis. The price of these securities is fixed at the time of the commitment to buy, but delivery and payment take place after the customary settlement period for that type of security (often a month or more later). During the interim period, the price and yield of the securities can fluctuate, and typically no interest accrues to the purchaser. At the time of delivery, the market value of the securities may be more or less than the purchase or sale price. To the extent the fund remains fully or almost fully invested (in securities with a remaining maturity of more than one year) at the same time it purchases these securities, there will be greater fluctuations in the fund's net asset value than if the fund did not purchase them.

### **Borrowing Money and Transferring Assets**

The fund may borrow from banks, other persons, and other T. Rowe Price Funds for temporary or emergency purposes, to facilitate redemption requests, or for other purposes consistent with the fund's policies as set forth in this prospectus and the Statement of Additional Information. Such borrowings may be collateralized with the fund's assets, subject to certain restrictions.

*Fundamental policy* Borrowings may not exceed 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % of the fund's total assets. This limitation includes any borrowings for temporary or emergency purposes, applies at the time of the transaction, and continues to the extent required by the Investment Company Act of 1940.

*Operating policy* The fund will not transfer portfolio securities as collateral except as necessary in connection with permissible borrowings or investments, and then such transfers may not exceed 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % of its total assets. The fund will not purchase additional securities when its borrowings exceed 5% of its total assets.

### **Meeting Redemption Requests**

We expect that the fund will hold cash or cash equivalents to meet redemption requests. The fund may also use the proceeds from the sale of portfolio securities to meet redemption requests if consistent with the management of the fund. These redemption methods will be used regularly and may also be used in deteriorating or stressed market conditions. The fund reserves the right to pay all or part of

redemption proceeds with securities from the fund's portfolio rather than in cash ("redemption in-kind"), as described under "Large Redemptions." Redemptions in-kind are typically used to meet redemption requests that represent a large percentage of the fund's net assets in order to minimize the effect of large redemptions on the fund and its remaining shareholders. In general, any in-kind redemptions will represent a pro-rata distribution of the fund's securities, subject to certain limited exceptions. Redemptions in-kind may be used regularly in circumstances as described above, and may also be used in stressed market conditions.

The fund, along with other T. Rowe Price Funds, is a party to an interfund lending exemptive order received from the SEC that permits the T. Rowe Price Funds to borrow money from and/or lend money to other T. Rowe Price Funds to help the funds meet short-term redemptions and liquidity needs.

During periods of deteriorating or stressed market conditions, when an increased portion of a fund's portfolio may be comprised of less-liquid investments, or during extraordinary or emergency circumstances, the fund may be more likely to pay redemption proceeds with cash obtained through interfund lending, through short-term borrowing arrangements (if available), or by redeeming a large redemption request in-kind.

### **Lending of Portfolio Securities**

The fund may lend its securities to broker-dealers, other institutions, or other persons to earn additional income. Risks include the potential insolvency of the broker-dealer or other borrower that could result in delays in recovering securities and capital losses. Additionally, losses could result from the reinvestment of collateral received on loaned securities in investments that decline in value, default, or do not perform as well as expected.

*Fundamental policy* The value of loaned securities may not exceed 33⅓% of the fund's total assets.

### **Credit Quality Considerations**

The credit quality of many fund holdings is evaluated by rating agencies such as Moody's Investors Service, Inc. (Moody's), S&P Global Ratings (S&P), and Fitch Ratings, Inc. (Fitch). Credit quality refers to the issuer's ability and willingness to meet all required interest and principal payments. The highest ratings are assigned to issuers perceived to have the lowest credit risks. T. Rowe Price credit research analysts also evaluate the fund's holdings, including those rated by outside agencies. Other things being equal, bonds and other debt obligations with lower ratings typically have higher yields due to greater credit risk.

Credit quality ratings are not guarantees. They are estimates of an issuer's creditworthiness and ability to make interest and principal payments as they come due. Ratings can change at any time due to actual or perceived changes in an issuer's creditworthiness or financial fundamentals.

Bonds rated Baa and above by Moody's, and BBB and above by S&P and Fitch, are considered to be "investment grade." Bonds that are rated below these categories are considered to have greater credit risk and are referred to as "below investment grade" or "noninvestment grade." Bonds rated below investment-grade range from speculative to highly speculative with respect to the issuer's ability or willingness to pay interest and repay principal. The following table summarizes the rating scales and associated credit risk assigned by the major rating agencies. Within these categories, the rating may be modified with a symbol (such as 1, 2, and 3, or a plus or minus) to indicate whether the bond is ranked in the higher or lower end of its rating category. T. Rowe Price generally relies upon its own credit analysis when selecting investments.

### **Ratings of Debt Instruments**

<b>Moody's</b>	<b>S&amp;P</b>	<b>Fitch</b>	<b>Description of Category</b>
Aaa	AAA	AAA	Lowest level of credit risk with extremely strong capacity to meet financial commitments
Aa	AA	AA	Very low credit risk with very strong capacity to meet financial commitments
A	A	A	Low credit risk with strong capacity to meet financial commitments
Baa	BBB	BBB	Moderate credit risk with adequate capacity to meet financial commitments
Ba	BB	BB	Subject to substantial credit risk and adverse conditions could lead to inadequate capacity to meet financial commitments
B	B	B	Subject to high credit risk and adverse conditions will likely impair capacity to meet financial commitments
Caa	CCC	CCC	Subject to very high credit risk and dependent upon favorable conditions to meet financial commitments
Ca	CC	CC	Highly vulnerable to nonpayment and likely in, or very near, default with some prospect of recovery of principal and interest
C	C	C	Typically in default with little prospect for recovery of principal and interest
—	D	D	In default

### **Portfolio Turnover**

Turnover is an indication of frequency of trading. Each time the fund purchases or sells a security, it incurs a cost. This cost is reflected in the fund's net asset value but not in its operating expenses. The higher the turnover rate, the higher the transaction costs and the greater the impact on the fund's total return. Higher turnover can also increase the possibility of taxable capital gain distributions. The fund's portfolio turnover rates are shown in the Financial Highlights tables.

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**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

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The Financial Highlights tables, which provide information about each class' financial history, are based on a single share outstanding throughout the periods shown. The tables are part of the fund's financial statements, which are included in its annual report and are incorporated by reference into the Statement of Additional Information (available upon request). The total returns in the tables represent the rate that an investor would have earned or lost on an investment in the fund (assuming reinvestment of all dividends and distributions and no payment of any applicable account or redemption fees). The financial statements in the annual report were audited by the fund's independent registered public accounting firm, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP.

**Financial Highlights**

<b>Investor Class</b>	<b>Year ended December 31</b>				
	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$20.64	\$23.22	\$22.89	\$21.46	\$21.98
<b>Income From Investment Operations</b>					
Net investment income <sup>a</sup>	0.39 <sup>b</sup>	0.47 <sup>b</sup>	0.45 <sup>b</sup>	0.43 <sup>b</sup>	0.41 <sup>b</sup>
Net gains or losses on securities (both realized and unrealized)	3.52	0.90	(0.31)	0.83	3.52
Total from investment operations	3.91	1.37	0.14	1.26	3.93
<b>Less Distributions</b>					
Dividends (from net investment income)	(0.41)	(0.48)	(0.47)	(0.44)	(0.44)
Distributions (from capital gains)	(0.92)	(1.22)	(1.10)	(0.30)	(1.14)
Returns of capital	—	—	—	—	—
Total distributions	(1.33)	(1.70)	(1.57)	(0.74)	(1.58)
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b>	<b>\$23.22</b>	<b>\$22.89</b>	<b>\$21.46</b>	<b>\$21.98</b>	<b>\$24.33</b>
<b>Total return</b>	<b>19.25%<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>5.97%<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>0.65%<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>5.92%<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>18.01%<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Ratios/Supplemental Data</b>					
Net assets, end of period (in millions)	\$3,958	\$4,151	\$3,938	\$3,594	\$3,776
Ratio of expenses to average net assets	0.60% <sup>b</sup>	0.60% <sup>b</sup>	0.60% <sup>b</sup>	0.60% <sup>b</sup>	0.57% <sup>b</sup>
Ratio of net income to average net assets	1.77% <sup>b</sup>	1.96% <sup>b</sup>	1.95% <sup>b</sup>	1.96% <sup>b</sup>	1.73% <sup>b</sup>
Portfolio turnover rate	54.1%	52.9%	65.1%	58.4%	48.7%

<sup>a</sup> Per share amounts calculated using average shares outstanding method.

<sup>b</sup> Excludes expenses permanently waived of 0.03%, 0.04%, 0.04%, 0.04%, and 0.04% of average net assets for the years ended December 31, 2017, December 31, 2016, December 31, 2015, December 31, 2014, and December 31, 2013, respectively, related to investments in T. Rowe Price mutual funds.

**Financial Highlights**

<b>I Class</b>	<b>12/17/15*</b>	<b>Year ended December 31</b>	
	<b>through 12/31/15</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$21.42	\$21.46	\$21.98
<b>Income From Investment Operations</b>			
Net investment income <sup>a</sup>	(0.01) <sup>b,c</sup>	0.42 <sup>b</sup>	0.44 <sup>b</sup>
Net gains or losses on securities (both realized and unrealized)	0.05	0.88	3.53
Total from investment operations	0.04	1.30	3.97
<b>Less Distributions</b>			
Dividends (from net investment income)	—	(0.48)	(0.47)
Distributions (from capital gains)	—	(0.30)	(1.14)
Returns of capital	—	—	—
Total distributions	—	(0.78)	(1.61)
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b>	<b>\$21.46</b>	<b>\$21.98</b>	<b>\$24.34</b>
<b>Total return</b>	<b>0.19%<sup>b,c</sup></b>	<b>6.11%<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>18.20%<sup>b</sup></b>
<b>Ratios/Supplemental Data</b>			
Net assets, end of period (in thousands)	\$815	\$168,569	\$278,883
Ratio of expenses to average net assets	0.45% <sup>b,c,d</sup>	0.42% <sup>b</sup>	0.42% <sup>b</sup>
Ratio of net income to average net assets	(3.10)% <sup>b,c,d</sup>	1.95% <sup>b</sup>	1.85% <sup>b</sup>
Portfolio turnover rate	65.1%	58.4%	48.7%

\* Inception date.

<sup>a</sup> Per share amounts calculated using average shares outstanding method.

<sup>b</sup> Excludes expenses permanently waived 0.03%, 0.04% and 0.04% of average net assets for the years ended December 31, 2017 and December 31, 2016, and for the period ended December 31, 2015, respectively, related to investments in T. Rowe Price mutual funds.

<sup>c</sup> Excludes expenses in excess of a 0.05% contractual operating expense limitation in effect through April 30, 2018.

<sup>d</sup> Annualized.

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## DISCLOSURE OF FUND PORTFOLIO INFORMATION

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The T. Rowe Price Funds' full portfolio holdings as of their fiscal year-ends are disclosed in their annual shareholder reports and their full portfolio holdings as of their fiscal mid-point are disclosed in their semiannual shareholder reports. The annual and semiannual shareholder reports are filed with the SEC and sent to the funds' shareholders within 60 days of the period covered. The T. Rowe Price Funds also disclose their full portfolio holdings as of their first and third fiscal quarter-ends on Form N-Q. Form N-Q is filed with the SEC within 60 days of the period covered, but is not sent to the funds' shareholders. Under certain conditions, the shareholder reports and Form N-Q may include up to 5% of a fund's holdings under the caption "Miscellaneous Securities" without identifying the specific security or issuer. Generally, a holding would not be individually identified if it is determined that its disclosure could be harmful to the fund or its shareholders. A holding will not be excluded for these purposes from a fund's SEC filings for more than one year. The money market funds also file detailed month-end portfolio holdings information on Form N-MFP with the SEC each month. Form N-MFP, as well as the shareholder reports and Form N-Q, are publicly available immediately upon filing with the SEC.

In addition, most T. Rowe Price Funds disclose their calendar quarter-end full portfolio holdings on **troweprice.com** 15 calendar days after each quarter. At the discretion of the investment adviser, these holdings reports may exclude the issuer name and other information relating to a holding in order to protect the fund's interests and prevent harm to the fund or its shareholders. Private placements and other restricted securities may not be individually identified in the calendar quarter-end holdings on **troweprice.com**, but would be disclosed in any SEC filings. Money market funds also disclose on **troweprice.com** their month-end full portfolio holdings five business days after each month-end and historical information about the fund's investments for the previous six months, as of the last business day of the preceding month. This information includes, among other things, the percentage of the fund's investments in daily and weekly liquid assets, the fund's weighted average maturity and weighted average life, the fund's market-based net asset value, and the fund's net inflows and outflows. The calendar quarter-end portfolio holdings will remain on the website for one year and the month-end money market fund portfolio holdings will remain on the website for six months. In addition, most T. Rowe Price Funds disclose their 10 largest holdings on **troweprice.com** on the seventh business day after each month-end. These holdings are listed in alphabetical order along with the aggregate percentage of the fund's total assets that these 10 holdings represent. Each monthly top 10 list will remain on the website for six months. A description of T. Rowe Price's policies and procedures with respect to the disclosure of portfolio information is available in the Statement of Additional Information.



The following policies and procedures generally apply to Investor Class, I Class, Advisor Class, and R Class accounts in the T. Rowe Price Funds.

## **INVESTING WITH T. ROWE PRICE**

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This section of the prospectus explains the basics of investing with T. Rowe Price and describes some of the different share classes that may be available. Certain share classes can be held directly with T. Rowe Price, while other share classes must typically be held through a financial intermediary, such as a bank, broker, retirement plan recordkeeper, or investment adviser.

## **AVAILABLE SHARE CLASSES**

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Each class of a fund's shares represents an interest in the same fund with the same investment program and investment policies. However, each class is designed for a different type of investor and has a different cost structure primarily due to shareholder services or distribution arrangements that may apply only to that class. For example, certain classes may make payments to financial intermediaries for various administrative services they provide (commonly referred to as administrative fee payments, or AFP) and/or make payments to certain financial intermediaries for distribution of the fund's shares (commonly referred to as 12b-1 fee payments). Determining the most appropriate share class depends on many factors, including how much you plan to invest, whether you are investing directly in the fund or through a financial intermediary, and whether you are investing on behalf of a person or an organization.

This section generally describes the differences between Investor Class, I Class, Advisor Class, and R Class shares. This section does not describe the policies that apply to accounts in T. Rowe Price institutional funds and certain other types of funds. Policies for these other funds are described in their respective prospectuses, and all available share classes for the T. Rowe Price Funds are described more fully in the funds' Statement of Additional Information. While many T. Rowe Price Funds are offered in more than one share class, not all funds are offered in the share classes described in this section. The front cover and Section 1 of this prospectus indicate which share classes are available for the fund.

### **Investor Class**

A T. Rowe Price Fund that does not include the term "institutional" or indicate a specific share class as part of its name is considered to be the Investor Class of that

fund. The Investor Class is generally designed for individual investors but is also available to institutions and a wide variety of other types of investors. The Investor Class may be purchased directly from T. Rowe Price or through a retirement plan or financial intermediary. The Investor Class does not impose sales charges and does not make any 12b-1 fee payments to financial intermediaries but may make administrative fee payments at an annual rate of up to 0.15% of the class' average daily net assets. For investors holding the Investor Class through the T. Rowe Price ActivePlus Portfolios program, the terms and conditions of the program will be applicable.

### **I Class**

The I Class may be purchased directly from T. Rowe Price or through a financial intermediary. The I Class does not impose sales charges and does not make any administrative fee payments or 12b-1 fee payments to financial intermediaries. However, you may incur brokerage commissions and other charges when buying or selling I Class shares.

I Class shares are designed to be sold to corporations, endowments and foundations, charitable trusts, defined benefit and defined contribution retirement plans, brokers, registered investment advisers, banks and bank trust programs, investment companies and other pooled investment vehicles, and certain individuals meeting the investment minimum or other specific criteria. The I Class generally requires a \$1,000,000 initial investment minimum, although the minimum may be waived for retirement plans, financial intermediaries maintaining omnibus accounts for their customers, client accounts for which T. Rowe Price or its affiliate has discretionary investment authority, and certain other accounts. For investors holding the I Class through the T. Rowe Price ActivePlus Portfolios program, the terms and conditions of the program will be applicable. Accounts that are not eligible for the I Class may be converted to the Investor Class following notice to the financial intermediary or investor.

### **Advisor Class**

The Advisor Class is designed to be sold through various financial intermediaries, such as broker-dealers, banks, insurance companies, retirement plan recordkeepers, and financial advisors. The Advisor Class must be purchased through an eligible financial intermediary (except for certain retirement plans held directly with T. Rowe Price). The Advisor Class does not impose sales charges but may make 12b-1 fee payments at an annual rate of up to 0.25% of the class' average daily net assets and may also separately make administrative fee payments at an annual rate of up to 0.15% of the class' average daily net assets.

The Advisor Class requires an agreement between the financial intermediary and T. Rowe Price to be executed prior to investment. Purchases of Advisor Class shares for which the required agreement with T. Rowe Price has not been executed or that are not made through an eligible financial intermediary are subject to rejection or

cancellation without prior notice to the financial intermediary or investor, and accounts that are no longer eligible for the Advisor Class may be converted to the Investor Class following notice to the financial intermediary or investor.

### **R Class**

The R Class is designed to be sold through financial intermediaries for employer-sponsored defined contribution retirement plans and certain other accounts. The R Class must be purchased through an eligible financial intermediary (except for certain retirement plans held directly with T. Rowe Price). The R Class does not impose sales charges but may make 12b-1 fee payments at an annual rate of up to 0.50% of the class' average daily net assets and may also separately make administrative fee payments at an annual rate of up to 0.15% of the class' average daily net assets.

The R Class requires an agreement between the financial intermediary and T. Rowe Price to be executed prior to investment. Purchases of R Class shares for which the required agreement with T. Rowe Price has not been executed or that are not made through an eligible financial intermediary are subject to rejection or cancellation without prior notice to the financial intermediary or investor, and accounts that are no longer eligible for the R Class may be converted to the Investor Class or Advisor Class following notice to the financial intermediary or investor.

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## **DISTRIBUTION AND SHAREHOLDER SERVICING FEES**

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### **Administrative Fee Payments (Investor Class, Advisor Class, and R Class)**

Certain financial intermediaries perform recordkeeping and administrative services for their clients that would otherwise be performed by the funds' transfer agent. T. Rowe Price Funds (other than I Class shares) may make administrative fee payments to retirement plan recordkeepers, broker-dealers, and other financial intermediaries (at an annual rate of up to 0.15% of the fund's average daily net assets) for transfer agency, recordkeeping, and other administrative services that they provide on behalf of the funds. These administrative services may include maintaining account records for each customer; transmitting purchase and redemption orders; delivering shareholder confirmations, statements, and tax forms; and providing support to respond to customers' questions regarding their accounts. Except for funds that have an all-inclusive management fee, these separate administrative fee payments are reflected in the "Other expenses" line that appears in a fund's fee table in Section 1.

### **12b-1 Fee Payments (Advisor Class and R Class)**

Mutual funds are permitted to adopt a 12b-1 plan to pay certain expenses associated with the distribution of the fund's shares out of the fund's assets. Each fund offering Advisor and/or R Class shares has adopted a 12b-1 plan under which those classes

may make payments (for the Advisor Class, at an annual rate of up to 0.25% of the class' average daily net assets, and for the R Class, at an annual rate of up to 0.50% of the class' average daily net assets) to various financial intermediaries, such as brokers, banks, insurance companies, investment advisers, and retirement plan recordkeepers for distribution and/or shareholder servicing of the Advisor and R Class shares. The 12b-1 plans provide for the class to pay such fees to the fund's distributor and for the distributor to then pay such fees to the financial intermediaries that provide services for the class and/or make the class available to investors.

For the Advisor Class, distribution payments may include payments to financial intermediaries for making the Advisor Class shares available to their customers (e.g., providing the fund with "shelf space" or inclusion on a "preferred list" or "supermarket" platform). For the R Class, distribution payments may include payments to financial intermediaries for making the R Class shares available as investment options to retirement plans and retirement plan participants, assisting plan sponsors in conducting searches for investment options, and providing ongoing monitoring of investment options.

Shareholder servicing payments under the plans may include payments to financial intermediaries for providing shareholder support services to existing shareholders of the Advisor and R Class. These payments may be more or less than the costs incurred by the financial intermediaries. Because the fees are paid from the Advisor Class or R Class net assets on an ongoing basis, they will increase the cost of your investment over time. In addition, payments of 12b-1 fees may influence your financial advisor's recommendation of the fund or of any particular share class of the fund. 12b-1 fee payments are reflected in the "Distribution and service (12b-1) fees" line that appears in a fund's fee table in Section 1.

### **Additional Compensation to Financial Intermediaries**

In addition to the AFP payments made by certain funds and the 12b-1 payments made by each Advisor and R Class, T. Rowe Price or the fund's distributor may, at their own expense, provide compensation to financial intermediaries that have sold shares of or provide shareholder or other services to the T. Rowe Price Funds. These payments may be in the form of asset-based, transaction-based, or flat payments. These payments would be used to compensate third parties for distribution and shareholder servicing activities, including sub-accounting, sub-transfer agency or other servicing, or other services. Some of these payments may include expense reimbursements and meeting and marketing support payments (out of T. Rowe Price's or the fund's distributor's own resources and not as an expense of the funds) to financial intermediaries, such as brokers-dealers, registered investment advisers, banks, insurance companies, and retirement plan recordkeepers, in connection with the sale, distribution, marketing, and/or servicing of the T. Rowe Price Funds. The Statement of Additional Information provides more information about these payment arrangements.

The receipt of, or the prospect of receiving, these payments and expense reimbursements from T. Rowe Price or the fund's distributor may influence intermediaries, plan sponsors, and other third parties to offer or recommend T. Rowe Price Funds over other investment options for which an intermediary does not receive additional compensation (or receives lower levels of additional compensation). In addition, if financial intermediaries receive these payments and/or expense reimbursements, they may elevate the prominence of the T. Rowe Price Funds by, for example, placing the T. Rowe Price Funds on a list of preferred or recommended funds and/or provide preferential or enhanced opportunities to promote the T. Rowe Price Funds in various ways. Since these additional payments are not paid by a fund directly, these arrangements do not increase fund expenses and will not change the price that an investor pays for shares of the T. Rowe Price Funds or the amount that is invested in a T. Rowe Price Fund on behalf of an investor. You may ask your financial intermediary for more information about any payments they may receive from T. Rowe Price or the fund's distributor.

### Comparison of Fees

The following table summarizes the distribution and shareholder servicing fee arrangements applicable to each class.

<b>Class</b>	<b>12b-1 Fee Payments</b>	<b>Administrative Fee Payments</b>
Investor Class	None	Up to 0.15% per year
I Class	None	None
Advisor Class	Up to 0.25% per year	Up to 0.15% per year
R Class	Up to 0.50% per year	Up to 0.15% per year

## ACCOUNT SERVICE FEE

### Investor Class

In an effort to help offset the disproportionately high costs incurred by the funds in connection with servicing lower-balance accounts that are held directly with the T. Rowe Price Funds' transfer agent, an annual \$20 account service fee (paid to T. Rowe Price Services, Inc., or one of its affiliates) is charged to certain Investor Class accounts with a balance below \$10,000. The determination of whether a fund account is subject to the account service fee is based on account balances and services selected for accounts as of the last business day of August. The fee may be charged to an account with a balance below \$10,000 for any reason, including market fluctuation and recent redemptions. The fee, which is automatically deducted from an account by redeeming fund shares, is typically charged to accounts in early September each calendar year. Such redemption may result in a taxable gain or loss to you.

The account service fee generally does not apply to fund accounts that are held through a financial intermediary, participant accounts in employer-sponsored

retirement plans for which T. Rowe Price Retirement Plan Services provides recordkeeping services, accounts held through the T. Rowe Price ActivePlus Portfolios program, or money market funds that are used as a T. Rowe Price Brokerage sweep account. Regardless of a particular fund account's balance on the last business day of August, the account service fee is automatically waived for accounts that satisfy any of the following conditions:

- Any accounts for which the shareholder has elected to receive electronic delivery of all of the following: account statements, transaction confirmations, prospectuses, and shareholder reports (paper copies of fund documents are available, free of charge, upon request, to any shareholder regardless of whether the shareholder has elected electronic delivery);
- Any accounts of a shareholder with at least \$50,000 in total assets with T. Rowe Price (for this purpose, total assets includes investments through T. Rowe Price Brokerage and investments in T. Rowe Price Funds, except for those held through a retirement plan for which T. Rowe Price Retirement Plan Services provides recordkeeping services); or
- Any accounts of a shareholder who is a T. Rowe Price Client Services client—visit **troweprice.com** or call 1-800-225-3222 for more information.

T. Rowe Price reserves the right to authorize additional waivers for other types of accounts or to modify the conditions for assessment of the account service fee. Fund shares held in a T. Rowe Price IRA, Education Savings Account, or small business retirement plan account (including certain 403(b) plan accounts) are subject to the account service fee and may be subject to additional administrative fees when distributing all fund shares from such accounts.

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## **POLICIES FOR OPENING AN ACCOUNT**

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Investor and I Class shares may be purchased directly from T. Rowe Price or through various financial intermediaries. Advisor and R Class shares must be purchased through a financial intermediary (except for certain retirement plans held directly at T. Rowe Price). If you are opening an account through an employer-sponsored retirement plan or other financial intermediary, you should contact the retirement plan or financial intermediary for information regarding its policies on opening an account, including the policies relating to purchasing, exchanging, and redeeming shares, and the applicable initial and subsequent investment minimums.

### **Tax Identification Number**

Investors must provide T. Rowe Price with a valid Social Security number or taxpayer identification number on a signed new account form or Form W-9, and financial intermediaries must provide T. Rowe Price with their certified taxpayer identification number. Otherwise, federal law requires the funds to withhold a percentage of

dividends, capital gain distributions, and redemptions and may subject you or the financial intermediary to an Internal Revenue Service fine. If this information is not received within 60 days of the account being established, the account may be redeemed at the fund's then-current net asset value.

### **Important Information Required to Open a New Account**

Pursuant to federal law, all financial institutions must obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person or entity that opens an account. This information is needed not only for the account owner and any other person who opens the account, but also for any person who has authority to act on behalf of the account.

When you open an account, you will be asked for the name, U.S. street address (post office boxes are not acceptable), date of birth, and Social Security number or taxpayer identification number for each account owner and person(s) opening an account on behalf of others, such as custodians, agents, trustees, or other authorized signers. When opening an entity account, you will be asked to identify and provide personal information for: (i) any individual who, either directly or indirectly, owns 25% or more of the equity interest of the entity and (ii) a single individual who controls, manages, or directs the entity. Corporate and other institutional accounts require documents showing the existence of the entity (such as articles of incorporation or partnership agreements) to open an account. Certain other fiduciary accounts (such as trusts or power of attorney arrangements) require documentation, which may include an original or certified copy of the trust agreement or power of attorney, to open an account.

T. Rowe Price will use this information to verify the identity of the person(s)/entity opening the account. An account cannot be opened until all of this information is received. If the identity of the account holder cannot be verified, T. Rowe Price is authorized to take any action permitted by law. (See "Rights Reserved by the Funds" later in this section.)

Institutional investors and financial intermediaries should call Financial Institution Services at 1-800-638-8790 for more information on these requirements, as well as to be assigned an account number and instructions for opening an account. Other investors should call Investor Services at 1-800-638-5660 for more information on these requirements.

The funds are generally available only to investors residing in the United States. In addition, nongovernment money market funds that operate as "retail money market funds" pursuant to Rule 2a-7 are required to limit their beneficial owners to natural persons. An investor in a retail money market fund is required to demonstrate eligibility (for example, by providing a valid Social Security number) before an account can be opened.

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## PRICING OF SHARES AND TRANSACTIONS

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### How and When Shares Are Priced

The trade date for your transaction request depends on the day and time that T. Rowe Price receives your request and will normally be executed using the next share price calculated after your order is received in correct form by T. Rowe Price or its agent (or by your financial intermediary if it has the authority to accept transaction orders on behalf of the fund). The share price, also called the net asset value, for each share class of a fund is calculated as of the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange (“NYSE”), which is normally 4 p.m. ET, on each day that the NYSE is open for business. Net asset values are not calculated for the funds on days when the NYSE is scheduled to be closed for trading (for example, weekends and certain U.S. national holidays). If the NYSE is unexpectedly closed due to weather or other extenuating circumstances on a day it would typically be open for business, or if the NYSE has an unscheduled early closing on a day it has opened for business, the funds reserve the right to treat such day as a business day and accept purchase and redemption orders and calculate their share price as of the normally scheduled close of regular trading on the NYSE for that day.

To calculate the net asset value, a fund’s assets are valued and totaled, liabilities are subtracted, and each class’ proportionate share of the balance, called net assets, is divided by the number of shares outstanding of that class. Market values are used to price portfolio holdings for which market quotations are readily available. Market values generally reflect the prices at which securities actually trade or represent prices that have been adjusted based on evaluations and information provided by the fund’s pricing services. Investments in other mutual funds are valued at the closing net asset value per share of the mutual fund on the day of valuation. If a market value for a portfolio holding is not available or normal valuation procedures are deemed to be inappropriate, the fund will make a good faith effort to assign a fair value to the holding by taking into account various factors and methodologies that have been approved by the fund’s Board. This value may differ from the value the fund receives upon sale of the securities.

Amortized cost is used to price securities held by money market funds and certain short-term debt securities held by other funds. The retail and government money market funds, which seek to maintain a stable net asset value of \$1.00, use the amortized cost method of valuation to calculate their net asset value. Amortized cost allows the money market funds to value a holding at the fund’s acquisition cost with adjustments for any premiums or discounts and then round the net asset value per share to the nearest whole cent. The amortized cost method of valuation enables the money market funds to maintain a \$1.00 net asset value, but it may also result in periods during which the stated value of a security held by the funds differs from the market-based price the funds would receive if they sold that holding. The current market-based net asset value per share for each business day in the preceding six



months is available for the retail and government money market funds through **troweprice.com**. These market-based net asset values are for informational purposes only and are not used to price transactions.

The funds use various pricing services to provide closing market prices, as well as information used to adjust those prices and to value most fixed income securities. A fund cannot predict how often it will use closing prices and how often it will adjust those prices. As a means of evaluating its fair value process, the fund routinely compares closing market prices, the next day's opening prices in the same markets, and adjusted prices.

Non-U.S. equity securities are valued on the basis of their most recent closing market prices at 4 p.m. ET, except under the following circumstances. Most foreign markets close before 4 p.m. ET. For example, the most recent closing prices for securities traded in certain Asian markets may be as much as 15 hours old at 4 p.m. ET. If a fund determines that developments between the close of a foreign market and the close of the NYSE will affect the value of some or all of the fund's securities, the fund will adjust the previous closing prices to reflect what it believes to be the fair value of the securities as of 4 p.m. ET. In deciding whether to make these adjustments, the fund reviews a variety of factors, including developments in foreign markets, the performance of U.S. securities markets, and the performance of instruments trading in U.S. markets that represent foreign securities and baskets of foreign securities.

A fund may also fair value certain securities or a group of securities in other situations—for example, when a particular foreign market is closed but the fund is open. For a fund that has investments in securities that are primarily listed on foreign exchanges which trade on weekends or other days when the fund does not price its shares, the fund's net asset value may change on days when shareholders will not be able to purchase or redeem the fund's shares. If an event occurs that affects the value of a security after the close of the market, such as a default of a commercial paper issuer or a significant move in short-term interest rates, a fund may make a price adjustment depending on the nature and significance of the event. The funds also evaluate a variety of factors when assigning fair values to private placements and other restricted securities. Other mutual funds may adjust the prices of their securities by different amounts or assign different fair values than the fair value that the fund assigns to the same security.

***The various ways you can purchase, sell, and exchange shares are explained throughout this section. These procedures differ based on whether you hold your account directly with T. Rowe Price or through an employer-sponsored retirement plan or financial intermediary.***

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## INVESTING DIRECTLY WITH T. ROWE PRICE

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The following policies apply to accounts that are held directly with T. Rowe Price and not through a financial intermediary.

### Options for Opening Your Account

If you own other T. Rowe Price Funds, you should consider registering any new account identically to your existing accounts so you can exchange shares among them easily (the name[s] of the account owner[s] and the account type must be identical).

For joint accounts or other types of accounts owned or controlled by more than one party, either owner/party has complete authority to act on behalf of all and give instructions concerning the account without notice to the other party. T. Rowe Price may, in its sole discretion, require written authorization from all owners/parties to act on the account for certain transactions (for example, to transfer ownership). There are multiple ways to establish a new account directly with T. Rowe Price.

**Online** You can open a new Investor Class account online. (I Class accounts must currently be opened either by telephone or in writing.) Go to [troweprice.com/newaccount](https://troweprice.com/newaccount) to choose the type of account you wish to open.

You can exchange shares online from an existing account in one fund to open a new account in another fund. The new account will have the same registration as the account from which you are exchanging, and any services (other than systematic purchase and systematic distribution arrangements) that you have preauthorized will carry over from the existing account to the new account.

To open an account online for the first time or with a different account registration, you must be a U.S. citizen residing in the U.S. or a resident alien and not subject to Internal Revenue Service backup withholding. Additionally, you must provide consent to receive certain documents electronically. You will have the option of providing your bank account information, which will enable you to make electronic funds transfers to and from your bank account. To set up this banking service online, additional steps will be taken to verify your identity.

**By Mail** If you are sending a check, please make your check payable to T. Rowe Price Funds (otherwise it may be returned) and send the check, together with the applicable new account form, to the appropriate address. (Please refer to the appropriate address under “Contacting T. Rowe Price” later in this section to avoid a delay in opening your new account.) T. Rowe Price does not accept third-party checks for initial purchases; however, third-party checks are typically accepted for additional purchases to an existing account. In addition, T. Rowe Price does not accept purchases by cash, traveler’s checks, money orders, or credit card checks. For exchanges from an identically registered account, be sure to specify the fund(s) and

account number(s) that you are exchanging out of and the fund(s) you wish to exchange into.

**By Telephone** Direct investors can call Shareholder Services at 1-800-225-5132 (institutional investors should call 1-800-638-8790) to exchange from an existing fund account to open a new identically registered account in another fund. You may also be eligible to open a new account by telephone and provide your bank account information in order to make an initial purchase. To set up the account and banking service by telephone, additional steps will be taken to verify your identity and the authenticity of your bank account. Although the account may be opened and the purchase made, services may not be established and an Internal Revenue Service penalty withholding may occur until we receive the necessary signed form to certify your Social Security number or taxpayer identification number.

### **How Your Trade Date Is Determined**

If you invest directly with T. Rowe Price and your request to purchase, sell, or exchange shares is received by T. Rowe Price or its agent in correct form by the close of the NYSE (normally 4 p.m. ET), your transaction will be priced at that business day's net asset value. If your request is received by T. Rowe Price or its agent in correct form after the close of the NYSE, your transaction will be priced at the next business day's net asset value.

*Note:* There may be times when you are unable to contact us by telephone or access your account online due to extreme market activity, the unavailability of the T. Rowe Price website, or other circumstances. Should this occur, your order must still be placed and received in correct form by T. Rowe Price prior to the time the NYSE closes to be priced at that business day's net asset value. The time at which transactions and shares are priced and the time until which orders are accepted may be changed in case of an emergency or if the NYSE closes at a time other than 4 p.m. ET. The funds reserve the right to not treat an unscheduled intraday disruption or closure in NYSE trading as a closure of the NYSE, and still accept transactions and calculate their net asset value as of 4 p.m. ET.

### **Transaction Confirmations**

T. Rowe Price sends immediate confirmations for most of your fund transactions. However, certain transactions, such as systematic purchases and systematic redemptions, dividend reinvestments, checkwriting redemptions from money market funds, and transactions in money market funds used as a Brokerage sweep account, do not receive an immediate transaction confirmation but are reported on your account statement. Please review transaction confirmations and account statements as soon as you receive them, and promptly report any discrepancies to Shareholder Services.

### **Telephone and Online Account Transactions**

You may access your accounts and conduct transactions involving Investor Class accounts using the telephone or the T. Rowe Price website at **troweprice.com**. You

can only conduct transactions involving the I Class over the telephone or in writing. The T. Rowe Price Funds and their agents use reasonable procedures to verify the identity of the shareholder. If these procedures are followed, the funds and their agents are not liable for any losses that may occur from acting on unauthorized instructions. Please review your confirmation carefully, and contact T. Rowe Price immediately about any transaction you believe to be unauthorized. Telephone conversations are recorded.

### **Purchasing Shares**

Shares may be purchased in a variety of ways.

**By Check** Please make your check payable to the T. Rowe Price Funds. Include a New Account Form if establishing a new account, and include either a fund investment slip or a letter indicating the fund and your account number if adding to an existing account. Your transaction will receive the share price for the business day that the request is received by T. Rowe Price or its agent prior to the close of the NYSE (not the day the request is received at the post office box).

**By Electronic Transfer** Shares may be purchased using the Automated Clearing House system if you have established the service on your account, which allows T. Rowe Price to request payment for your shares directly from your bank account or other financial institution account. You may also arrange for a wire to be sent to T. Rowe Price (wire transfer instructions can be found at **[troweprice.com/wireinstructions](http://troweprice.com/wireinstructions)** or by calling Shareholder Services). T. Rowe Price must receive the wire by the close of the NYSE to receive that day's share price. There is no assurance that you will receive the share price for the same day you initiated the wire from your financial institution.

**By Exchange** You may purchase shares of a fund using the proceeds from the redemption of shares from another fund. The redemption and purchase will receive the same trade date, and if you are establishing a new account, it will have the same registration as the account from which you are exchanging. The purchase must still generally meet the applicable minimum investment requirement.

**Systematic Purchases (Automatic Asset Builder)** You can instruct T. Rowe Price to automatically transfer money from your account at your bank or other financial institution at least once per month, or you can instruct your employer to send all or a portion of your paycheck to the fund or funds that you designate. Each systematic purchase must be at least \$100 per fund account to be eligible for the Automatic Asset Builder service. To automatically transfer money to your account from a bank account or through payroll deductions, complete the appropriate section of the New Account Form when opening a new account or complete an Account Services Form to add the service to an existing account. Prior to establishing payroll deductions, you must set up the service with T. Rowe Price so that the appropriate instructions can be provided to your employer.

### **Initial Investment Minimums**

Investor Class accounts, other than the Retirement Income 2020 Fund and Summit Funds, require a \$2,500 minimum initial investment (\$1,000 minimum initial investment for IRAs; certain small business retirement accounts; and custodial accounts for minors, known as Uniform Gifts to Minors Act or Uniform Transfer to Minors Act accounts). The Retirement Income 2020 Fund and Summit Funds require a \$25,000 minimum initial investment. I Class accounts generally require a \$1,000,000 minimum initial investment, although the minimum may be waived for certain types of accounts. If you request the I Class of a particular fund when you open a new account but the investment amount does not meet the applicable minimum, the purchase will be automatically invested in the Investor Class of the same fund.

### **Additional Investment Minimums**

Investor Class accounts, other than Summit Funds, require a \$100 minimum for additional purchases, including those made through Automatic Asset Builder. Summit Funds require a \$100 minimum for additional purchases through Automatic Asset Builder and a \$1,000 minimum for all other additional purchases. I Class accounts require a \$100 minimum for additional purchases through Automatic Asset Builder but do not require a minimum amount for other additional purchases.

### **Exchanging and Redeeming Shares**

Certain T. Rowe Price Funds assess a fee on redemptions of shares (including exchanges out of a fund) that are not held for a specified period of time. Please refer to “Contingent Redemption Fee” later in this section.

**Exchanges** You can move money from one account to an existing, identically registered account or open a new identically registered account. For taxable accounts, an exchange from one fund to another will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service as a sale for tax purposes (Institutional investors are restricted from exchanging into a fund that operates as a retail money market fund). You can set up systematic exchanges so that money is automatically moved from one fund account to another on a regular basis.

**Receiving Redemption Proceeds** Redemption proceeds can be mailed to your account address by check or sent electronically to your bank account by Automated Clearing House transfer or bank wire. You can set up systematic redemptions and have the proceeds automatically sent via check or Automated Clearing House on a regular basis. If your request is received in correct form by T. Rowe Price or its agent on a business day prior to the close of the NYSE, proceeds are usually sent on the next business day. However, if you request a redemption from a money market fund on a business day prior to noon ET and request to have proceeds sent via bank wire, proceeds are normally sent later that same day.

Proceeds sent by Automated Clearing House transfer are usually credited to your account the second business day after the sale, and there are typically no fees

associated with such payments. Proceeds sent by bank wire are usually credited to your account the next business day after the sale (except for wire redemptions from money market funds received prior to noon ET). A \$5 fee will be charged for an outgoing wire of less than \$5,000, in addition to any fees your financial institution may charge for an incoming wire.

***If for some reason your request to exchange or redeem shares cannot be processed because it is not received in correct form, we will attempt to contact you.***

If you request to redeem a specific dollar amount and the market value of your account is less than the amount of your request and we are unable to contact you, your redemption will not be processed and you must submit a new redemption request in correct form.

If you change your address on an account, proceeds will not be mailed to the new address for 15 calendar days after the address change, unless we receive a letter of instruction with a Medallion signature guarantee.

Please note that large purchase and redemption requests initiated through the Automated Clearing House may be rejected, and in such instances, the transaction must be placed by calling Shareholder Services.

**Checkwriting** You may write an unlimited number of free checks on any money market fund and certain bond funds, with a minimum of \$500 per check. Keep in mind, however, that a check results in a sale of fund shares; a check written on a bond fund will create a taxable event that must be reported by T. Rowe Price to the Internal Revenue Service as a redemption.

### **Converting to Another Share Class**

You may convert from one share class of a fund to another share class of the same fund. Although the conversion has no effect on the dollar value of your investment in the fund, the number of shares owned after the conversion may be greater or less than the number of shares owned before the conversion, depending on the net asset values of the two share classes. A conversion between share classes of the same fund is a nontaxable event. The new account will have the same registration as the account from which you are converting.

T. Rowe Price may conduct periodic reviews of account balances. If your account balance in a fund exceeds the minimum amount required for the I Class, T. Rowe Price may, but is not required to, automatically convert your Investor Class shares to I Class shares with advance notice. However, if T. Rowe Price has investment discretion, T. Rowe Price may convert your shares without advance notice.

### **Maintaining Your Account Balance**

**Investor Class** Due to the relatively high cost to a fund of maintaining small accounts, we ask that you maintain an account balance of at least \$1,000 (\$10,000 for Summit Funds). If, for any reason, your balance is below this amount for three

months or longer, we have the right to redeem your account at the then-current net asset value after giving you 60 days to increase your balance.

**I Class** To keep operating expenses lower, we ask that you maintain an account balance of at least \$1 million. If your investment falls below \$1 million (even if due to market depreciation), we have the right to redeem your account at the then-current net asset value after giving you 60 days to increase your balance or convert your account to a different share class in the same fund (if available) with a higher expense ratio with advance notice. However, if T. Rowe Price has investment discretion, T. Rowe Price may convert your shares without advance notice.

The redemption of your account could result in a taxable gain or loss.

Investors holding the fund through the T. Rowe Price ActivePlus Portfolios program will be subject to the minimum account balance requirements of the program, which may differ from the minimum account balance requirements listed above.

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## **INVESTING THROUGH A FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARY**

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The following policies apply to accounts that are held through a financial intermediary.

Accounts in Investor Class and I Class shares are not required to be held through a financial intermediary, but accounts in Advisor Class and R Class shares must be held through an eligible financial intermediary (except for certain retirement plans held directly with T. Rowe Price). It is important that you contact your retirement plan or financial intermediary to determine the policies, procedures, and transaction deadlines that apply to your account. The financial intermediary may charge a fee for its services.

### **Opening an Account**

The financial intermediary must provide T. Rowe Price with its certified taxpayer identification number. Financial intermediaries should call Financial Institution Services for an account number and wire transfer instructions. In order to obtain an account number, the financial intermediary must supply the name, taxpayer identification number, and business street address for the account. (Please refer to “Contacting T. Rowe Price” later in this section for the appropriate telephone number and mailing address.) Financial intermediaries must also enter into a separate agreement with the fund or its agent.

### **How the Trade Date Is Determined**

If you invest through a financial intermediary and your transaction request is received by T. Rowe Price or its agent in correct form by the close of the NYSE, your transaction will be priced at that business day’s net asset value. If your request is received by T. Rowe Price or its agent in correct form after the close of the NYSE,

your transaction will be priced at the next business day's net asset value unless the fund has an agreement with your financial intermediary for orders to be priced at the net asset value next computed after receipt by the financial intermediary.

The funds have authorized certain financial intermediaries or their designees to accept orders to buy or sell fund shares on their behalf. When authorized financial intermediaries receive an order in correct form, the order is considered as being placed with the fund and shares will be bought or sold at the net asset value next calculated after the order is received by the authorized financial intermediary. The financial intermediary must transmit the order to T. Rowe Price and pay for such shares in accordance with the agreement with T. Rowe Price or the order may be canceled and the financial intermediary could be held liable for the losses. If the fund does not have such an agreement in place with your financial intermediary, T. Rowe Price or its agent must receive the request in correct form from your financial intermediary by the close of the NYSE in order for your transaction to be priced at that business day's net asset value.

*Note:* The time at which transactions and shares are priced and the time until which orders are accepted by the fund or a financial intermediary may be changed in case of an emergency or if the NYSE closes at a time other than 4 p.m. ET. The funds reserve the right to not treat an unscheduled intraday disruption or closure in NYSE trading as a closure of the NYSE and still accept transactions and calculate their net asset value as of 4 p.m. ET. Should this occur, your order must still be placed and received in correct form by T. Rowe Price (or by the financial intermediary in accordance with its agreement with T. Rowe Price) prior to the time the NYSE closes to be priced at that business day's net asset value.

### **Purchasing Shares**

All initial and subsequent investments by financial intermediaries should be made by bank wire or electronic payment. There is no assurance that the share price for the purchase will be the same day the wire was initiated. Purchases by financial intermediaries are typically initiated through the National Securities Clearing Corporation or by calling Financial Institution Services.

### **Investment Minimums**

You should check with your financial intermediary to determine what minimum applies to your initial and additional investments.

The Retirement Income 2020 Fund and Summit Funds require a \$25,000 minimum initial investment, and other funds generally require a \$2,500 minimum initial investment, although the minimum is generally waived or modified for any retirement plans and financial intermediaries establishing accounts in the Investor Class, Advisor Class, or R Class. I Class accounts generally require a \$1,000,000 minimum initial investment, although the minimum is waived for certain retirement plans and financial intermediaries maintaining omnibus accounts for their customers.



Investments through a financial intermediary generally do not require a minimum amount for additional purchases.

### **Redeeming Shares**

Certain T. Rowe Price Funds assess a fee on redemptions of shares (including exchanges out of a fund) that are not held for a specified period of time. Please refer to “Contingent Redemption Fee” later in this section.

Unless otherwise indicated, redemption proceeds will be sent via bank wire to the financial intermediary’s designated bank. Redemptions by financial intermediaries are typically initiated through the National Securities Clearing Corporation or by calling Financial Institution Services. Normally, the fund transmits proceeds to financial intermediaries for redemption orders received in correct form on either the next business day or second business day after receipt of the order, depending on the arrangement with the financial intermediary. Proceeds for redemption orders received prior to noon ET for a money market fund may be sent via wire the same business day. You must contact your financial intermediary about procedures for receiving your redemption proceeds.

Please note that certain purchase and redemption requests initiated through the National Securities Clearing Corporation may be rejected, and in such instances, the transaction must be placed by contacting Financial Institution Services.

## **GENERAL POLICIES RELATING TO TRANSACTIONS**

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*The following policies and requirements apply generally to accounts in the T. Rowe Price Funds, regardless of whether the account is held directly or indirectly with T. Rowe Price.*

The funds generally do not accept orders that request a particular day or price for a transaction or any other special conditions. However, when authorized by the fund, certain institutions, financial intermediaries, or retirement plans purchasing fund shares directly with T. Rowe Price may place a purchase order unaccompanied by payment. Payment for these shares must be received by the time designated by the fund (not to exceed the period established for settlement under applicable regulations). If payment is not received by this time, the order may be canceled. The institution, financial intermediary, or retirement plan is responsible for any costs or losses incurred by the fund or T. Rowe Price if payment is delayed or not received.

**U.S. Dollars** All purchases must be paid for in U.S. dollars; checks must be drawn on U.S. banks. In addition, we request that you give us at least three business days’ notice for any purchase of \$5 million or more.

**Nonpayment** If a check or Automated Clearing House transfer does not clear or payment for an order is not received in a timely manner, your purchase may be canceled. You (or the financial intermediary) will be responsible for any losses or

expenses incurred by the fund or its transfer agent, and the fund can redeem shares in your account or another identically registered T. Rowe Price account as reimbursement. The funds and their agents have the right to reject or cancel any purchase, exchange, or redemption due to nonpayment.

**Retail Money Market Funds** The retail money market funds have implemented policies and procedures designed to limit purchases to accounts beneficially owned by a natural person. Purchases of a retail money market fund may be rejected from an investor who has not demonstrated sufficient eligibility to purchase shares of the fund or from a financial intermediary that has not demonstrated adequate procedures to limit investments to natural persons. In addition, purchases may be prohibited or subject to certain conditions during periods where a liquidity fee or redemption gate is in effect.

### Contingent Redemption Fee

Short-term trading can disrupt a fund's investment program and create additional costs for long-term shareholders. For these reasons, all share classes of the T. Rowe Price Funds listed in the following table assess a fee on redemptions (including exchanges out of a fund), which reduces the proceeds from such redemptions by the amounts indicated:

<i>T. Rowe Price Funds With Redemption Fees</i>		
<i>Fund</i>	<i>Redemption fee</i>	<i>Holding period</i>
Africa & Middle East	2%	90 days or less
Asia Opportunities	2%	90 days or less
Credit Opportunities	2%	90 days or less
Emerging Europe	2%	90 days or less
Emerging Markets Bond	2%	90 days or less
Emerging Markets Corporate Bond	2%	90 days or less
Emerging Markets Local Currency Bond	2%	90 days or less
Emerging Markets Stock	2%	90 days or less
Emerging Markets Value Stock	2%	90 days or less
Equity Index 500	0.5%	90 days or less
European Stock	2%	90 days or less
Extended Equity Market Index	0.5%	90 days or less
Floating Rate	2%	90 days or less
Global Growth Stock	2%	90 days or less
Global High Income Bond	2%	90 days or less
Global Real Estate	2%	90 days or less
Global Stock	2%	90 days or less
High Yield	2%	90 days or less

***T. Rowe Price Funds With Redemption Fees***

<b><i>Fund</i></b>	<b><i>Redemption fee</i></b>	<b><i>Holding period</i></b>
Intermediate Tax-Free High Yield	2%	90 days or less
International Bond	2%	90 days or less
International Bond Fund (USD Hedged)	2%	90 days or less
International Concentrated Equity	2%	90 days or less
International Discovery	2%	90 days or less
International Equity Index	2%	90 days or less
International Stock	2%	90 days or less
International Value Equity	2%	90 days or less
Japan	2%	90 days or less
Latin America	2%	90 days or less
New Asia	2%	90 days or less
Overseas Stock	2%	90 days or less
QM Global Equity	2%	90 days or less
QM U.S. Small & Mid-Cap Core Equity	1%	90 days or less
QM U.S. Small-Cap Growth Equity	1%	90 days or less
Real Assets	2%	90 days or less
Real Estate	1%	90 days or less
Small-Cap Value	1%	90 days or less
Spectrum International	2%	90 days or less
Tax-Efficient Equity	1%	less than 365 days
Tax-Free High Yield	2%	90 days or less
Total Equity Market Index	0.5%	90 days or less
U.S. Bond Enhanced Index	0.5%	90 days or less
U.S. High Yield	2%	90 days or less

Redemption fees are paid to the fund (and not to T. Rowe Price) to deter short-term trading, offset costs, and help protect the fund's long-term shareholders. Subject to the exceptions described on the following pages, all persons holding shares of a T. Rowe Price Fund that imposes a redemption fee are subject to the fee, whether the person is holding shares directly with a T. Rowe Price Fund; through a retirement plan for which T. Rowe Price serves as recordkeeper; or indirectly through a financial intermediary (such as a broker, bank, or investment adviser), recordkeeper for retirement plan participants, or other third party.

**Computation of Holding Period** When an investor sells shares of a fund that assesses a redemption fee, T. Rowe Price will use the "first-in, first-out" method to determine the holding period for the shares sold. Under this method, the date of redemption or exchange will be compared with the earliest purchase date of shares held in the

account. The day after the date of your purchase is considered Day 1 for purposes of computing the holding period. For a fund with a 365-day holding period, a redemption fee will be charged on shares sold **before** the end of the required holding period. For funds with a 90-day holding period, a redemption fee will be charged on shares sold **on or before** the end of the required holding period. For example, if you redeem your shares on or before the 90th day from the date of purchase, you will be assessed the redemption fee. If you purchase shares through a financial intermediary, consult your financial intermediary to determine how the holding period will be applied.

**Transactions Not Subject to Redemption Fees** The T. Rowe Price Funds will not assess a redemption fee with respect to certain transactions. As of the date of this prospectus, the following transactions in T. Rowe Price Funds will not be subject to redemption fees:

- Shares redeemed through an automated, systematic withdrawal plan;
- Shares redeemed through or used to establish certain rebalancing, asset allocation, wrap, and advisory programs (including the T. Rowe Price ActivePlus Portfolios program), as well as non-T. Rowe Price fund-of-funds products, if approved in writing by T. Rowe Price;
- Shares purchased through the reinvestment of dividends or capital gain distributions;\*
- Shares converted from one share class to another share class of the same fund;\*
- Shares redeemed automatically by a fund to pay fund fees or shareholder account fees (e.g., for failure to meet account minimums);
- Shares purchased by rollover or changes of account registration within the same fund;\*
- Shares redeemed to return an excess contribution from a retirement account;
- Shares of T. Rowe Price Funds purchased by another T. Rowe Price Fund and shares purchased by discretionary accounts managed by T. Rowe Price or one of its affiliates (please note that other shareholders of the investing T. Rowe Price Fund are still subject to the policy);
- Transactions initiated by the trustee or adviser to a donor-advised charitable gift fund as approved by T. Rowe Price;
- Certain transactions in defined benefit and nonqualified plans, subject to prior approval by T. Rowe Price;
- Shares that are redeemed in-kind;
- Shares transferred to T. Rowe Price or a financial intermediary acting as a service provider when the age of the shares cannot be determined systematically;\*
- Shares redeemed in retirement plans or other products that restrict trading to no more frequently than once per quarter or other approved time period, if approved in writing by T. Rowe Price.

\* Subsequent exchanges of these shares into funds that assess redemption fees will subject such shares to the fee.

**Redemption Fees on Shares Held in Retirement Plans** If shares are held in a retirement plan, redemption fees generally will be assessed on shares redeemed by exchange only if they were originally purchased by a participant-directed exchange. However, redemption fees may apply to transactions other than exchanges depending on how shares of the plan are held at T. Rowe Price or how the fees are applied by your plan's recordkeeper. To determine which of your transactions are subject to redemption fees, you should contact T. Rowe Price or your plan recordkeeper.

**Omnibus Accounts** If your shares are held through a financial intermediary in an omnibus account, T. Rowe Price relies on the financial intermediary to assess the redemption fee on underlying shareholder accounts. T. Rowe Price seeks to enter into agreements with financial intermediaries establishing omnibus accounts that require the intermediary to assess the redemption fees. There are no assurances that T. Rowe Price will be successful in identifying all financial intermediaries or that the intermediaries will properly assess the fees.

Certain financial intermediaries may not apply the exemptions previously listed to the redemption fee policy; all redemptions by persons trading through such intermediaries may be subject to the fee. Certain financial intermediaries may exempt transactions not listed from redemption fees, if approved by T. Rowe Price. Persons redeeming shares through a financial intermediary should check with their respective intermediary to determine which transactions are subject to the fees.

### **Liquidity Fees and Redemption Gates—Retail Money Market Funds**

A money market fund that operates as a retail money market fund pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 has the ability to impose liquidity fees of up to 2% of the value of the shares redeemed if the fund's weekly liquid assets fall below certain thresholds, as specified in Rule 2a-7. A retail money market fund also has the ability to impose a redemption gate, which enables the fund to temporarily suspend redemptions for up to 10 days within a 90-day period if the fund's weekly liquid assets fall below a certain threshold, as specified in Rule 2a-7. A money market fund's Board has ultimate discretion to determine whether or not a liquidity fee or redemption gate would be in the best interests of the fund's shareholders and should be imposed.

A money market fund that operates as a government money market fund pursuant to Rule 2a-7 is not required to impose a liquidity fee or redemption gate upon the sale of your shares. The Boards of the T. Rowe Price money market funds that operate as government money market funds have determined that the funds do not intend to impose liquidity fees and redemption gates. However, the Board of a T. Rowe Price government money market fund reserves the right to impose liquidity fees and redemption gates in the future, at which point shareholders would be provided with at least 60 days' notice prior to such a change.

If a liquidity fee is in place, all exchanges out of the fund will be subject to the liquidity fee, and if a redemption gate is in place, all exchanges out of the fund will

be suspended. When a liquidity fee or redemption gate is in place, the fund may elect to not permit the purchase of shares or to subject the purchase of shares to certain conditions, which may include affirmation of the purchaser's knowledge that a liquidity fee or a redemption gate is in effect.

**Omnibus Accounts** If your shares are held through a financial intermediary, T. Rowe Price may rely on the financial intermediary to assess any applicable liquidity fees or impose redemption gates on underlying shareholder accounts. In certain situations, T. Rowe Price enters into agreements with financial intermediaries maintaining omnibus accounts that require the financial intermediary to assess liquidity fees or redemption gates. There are no assurances that T. Rowe Price will be successful in ensuring that all financial intermediaries will properly assess the fees.

Please refer to Sections 1 and 2 of retail money market fund prospectuses for more information regarding liquidity fees and redemption gates.

### **Large Redemptions**

Large redemptions (for example, \$250,000 or more) can adversely affect a portfolio manager's ability to implement a fund's investment strategy by causing the premature sale of securities that would otherwise be held longer. Therefore, the fund reserves the right (without prior notice) to redeem in kind. In general, any in-kind redemptions will represent a pro-rata distribution of a fund's securities, subject to certain limited exceptions. The redeeming shareholder will be responsible for disposing of the securities, and the shareholder will be subject to the risks that the value of the securities could decline prior to their sale, the securities could be difficult to sell, and brokerage fees could be incurred. If you continue to hold the securities, you may be subject to any ownership restriction imposed by the issuers. For example, real estate investment trusts often impose ownership restriction on their equity securities. In addition, we request that you give us at least three business days' notice for any redemption of \$5 million or more.

### **Delays in Sending Redemption Proceeds**

The T. Rowe Price Funds typically expect that redemption requests will be paid out to redeeming shareholders by the business day following the receipt of a redemption request that is in correct form, regardless of the method the fund uses to make such payment (e.g., check, wire, or Automated Clearing House transfer). Checks are typically mailed on the business day after the redemption, proceeds sent by wire are typically credited to your financial institution the next business day after the redemption, and proceeds sent by Automated Clearing House are typically credited to your financial institution on the second business day after the redemption. However, under certain circumstances, and when deemed to be in a fund's best interests, proceeds may not be sent for up to seven calendar days after receipt of a valid redemption order (for example, during periods of deteriorating or stressed market conditions, or during extraordinary or emergency circumstances).

In addition, if shares are sold that were just purchased and paid for by check or Automated Clearing House transfer, the fund will process your redemption but will generally delay sending the proceeds for up to 10 calendar days to allow the check or Automated Clearing House transfer to clear. If, during the clearing period, we receive a check drawn against your newly purchased shares, it will be returned and marked “uncollected.” (The 10-day hold does not apply to purchases paid for by bank wire or automatic purchases through payroll deduction.)

The Board of a retail money market fund may impose a redemption gate and elect to temporarily suspend redemptions for up to 10 business days in a 90-day period if the fund’s weekly liquid assets fall below 30% of its total assets and the fund’s Board determines that imposing a redemption gate is in the fund’s best interests. In addition, under certain limited circumstances, the Board of a money market fund may elect to permanently suspend redemptions in order to facilitate an orderly liquidation of the fund (subject to any additional liquidation requirements).

### **Involuntary Redemptions and Share Class Conversions**

Since nongovernment money market funds that operate as retail money market funds are required to limit their beneficial owners to natural persons, shares held directly by an investor or through a financial intermediary in these funds that are not eligible to invest in a retail money market fund are subject to involuntary redemption at any time without prior notice.

Shares held by any investors or financial intermediaries that are no longer eligible to invest in the I Class or who fail to meet or maintain their account(s) at the investment minimum are subject to involuntary redemption or conversion to the Investor Class of the same fund (which may have a higher expense ratio). Investments in Advisor Class shares that are no longer held through an eligible financial intermediary may be automatically converted by T. Rowe Price to the Investor Class of the same fund following notice to the financial intermediary or shareholder. Investments in R Class shares that are no longer held on behalf of an employer-sponsored defined contribution retirement plan or other eligible R Class account or that are not held through an eligible financial intermediary may be automatically converted by T. Rowe Price to the Investor Class or Advisor Class of the same fund following notice to the financial intermediary or shareholder.

### **Excessive and Short-Term Trading Policy**

Excessive transactions and short-term trading can be harmful to fund shareholders in various ways, such as disrupting a fund’s portfolio management strategies, increasing a fund’s trading and other costs, and negatively affecting its performance. Short-term traders in funds that invest in foreign securities may seek to take advantage of developments overseas that could lead to an anticipated difference between the price of the funds’ shares and price movements in foreign markets. While there is no assurance that T. Rowe Price can prevent all excessive and short-term trading, the Boards of the T. Rowe Price Funds have adopted the following trading limits that are

designed to deter such activity and protect the funds' shareholders. The funds may revise their trading limits and procedures at any time as the Boards deem necessary or appropriate to better detect short-term trading that may adversely affect the funds, to comply with applicable regulatory requirements, or to impose additional or alternative restrictions.

Subject to certain exceptions, each T. Rowe Price Fund restricts a shareholder's purchases (including through exchanges) into a fund account for a period of 30 calendar days after the shareholder has redeemed or exchanged out of that same fund account (the "30-Day Purchase Block"). The calendar day after the date of redemption is considered Day 1 for purposes of computing the period before another purchase may be made.

**General Exceptions** As of the date of this prospectus, the following types of transactions generally are not subject to the funds' excessive and short-term trading policy:

- Shares purchased or redeemed in money market funds and ultra short-term bond funds;
- Shares purchased or redeemed through a systematic purchase or withdrawal plan;
- Checkwriting redemptions from bond funds and money market funds;
- Shares purchased through the reinvestment of dividends or capital gain distributions;
- Shares redeemed automatically by a fund to pay fund fees or shareholder account fees;
- Transfers and changes of account registration within the same fund;
- Shares purchased by asset transfer or direct rollover;
- Shares purchased or redeemed through IRA conversions and recharacterizations;
- Shares redeemed to return an excess contribution from a retirement account;
- Transactions in Section 529 college savings plans;
- Certain transactions in defined benefit and nonqualified plans, subject to prior approval by T. Rowe Price;
- Shares converted from one share class to another share class in the same fund;
- Shares of T. Rowe Price Funds that are purchased by another T. Rowe Price Fund, including shares purchased by T. Rowe Price fund-of-funds products, and shares purchased by discretionary accounts managed by T. Rowe Price or one of its affiliates (please note that shareholders of the investing T. Rowe Price Fund are still subject to the policy); and
- Transactions initiated by the trustee or adviser to a donor-advised charitable gift fund as approved by T. Rowe Price.

Transactions in certain rebalancing, asset allocation, wrap programs, and other advisory programs (including the T. Rowe Price ActivePlus Portfolios program), as well as non-T. Rowe Price fund-of-funds products, may also be exempt from the 30-Day Purchase Block, subject to prior written approval by T. Rowe Price.



In addition to restricting transactions in accordance with the 30-Day Purchase Block, T. Rowe Price may, in its discretion, reject (or instruct a financial intermediary to reject) any purchase or exchange into a fund from a person (which includes individuals and entities) whose trading activity could disrupt the management of the fund or dilute the value of the fund's shares, including trading by persons acting collectively (e.g., following the advice of a newsletter). Such persons may be barred, without prior notice, from further purchases of T. Rowe Price Funds for a period longer than 30 calendar days, or permanently.

**Financial Intermediary Accounts** If you invest in T. Rowe Price Funds through a financial intermediary, you should review the financial intermediary's materials carefully or consult with the financial intermediary directly to determine the trading policy that will apply to your trades in the funds as well as any other rules or conditions on transactions that may apply. If T. Rowe Price is unable to identify a transaction placed through a financial intermediary as exempt from the excessive trading policy, the 30-Day Purchase Block may apply.

Financial intermediaries may maintain their underlying accounts directly with the fund, although they often establish an omnibus account (one account with the fund that represents multiple underlying shareholder accounts) on behalf of their customers. When financial intermediaries establish omnibus accounts in the T. Rowe Price Funds, T. Rowe Price is not able to monitor the trading activity of the underlying shareholders. However, T. Rowe Price monitors aggregate trading activity at the financial intermediary (omnibus account) level in an attempt to identify activity that indicates potential excessive or short-term trading. If it detects such trading activity, T. Rowe Price may contact the financial intermediary to request personal identifying information and transaction histories for some or all underlying shareholders (including plan participants, if applicable) pursuant to a written agreement that T. Rowe Price has entered into with each financial intermediary. Any nonpublic personal information provided to the fund (for example, a shareholder's taxpayer identification number or transaction records) is subject to the fund's privacy policy. If T. Rowe Price believes that excessive or short-term trading has occurred and there is no exception for such trades under the funds' Excessive and Short-Term Trading Policy previously described, it will instruct the financial intermediary to impose restrictions to discourage such practices and take appropriate action with respect to the underlying shareholder, including restricting purchases for 30 calendar days or longer. Each financial intermediary has agreed to execute such instructions pursuant to a written agreement. There is no assurance that T. Rowe Price will be able to properly enforce its excessive trading policies for omnibus accounts. Because T. Rowe Price generally relies on financial intermediaries to provide information and impose restrictions for omnibus accounts, its ability to monitor and deter excessive trading will be dependent upon the intermediaries' timely performance of their responsibilities.

T. Rowe Price may allow a financial intermediary or other third party to maintain restrictions on trading in the T. Rowe Price Funds that differ from the 30-Day Purchase Block. An alternative excessive trading policy would be acceptable to T. Rowe Price if it believes that the policy would provide sufficient protection to the T. Rowe Price Funds and their shareholders that is consistent with the excessive trading policy adopted by the funds' Boards.

**Retirement Plan Accounts** If shares are held in a retirement plan, generally the 30-Day Purchase Block applies only to shares redeemed by a participant-directed exchange to another fund. However, the 30-Day Purchase Block may apply to transactions other than exchanges depending on how shares of the plan are held at T. Rowe Price or the excessive trading policy applied by your plan's recordkeeper. An alternative excessive trading policy may apply to the T. Rowe Price Funds where a retirement plan has its own policy deemed acceptable to T. Rowe Price. You should contact T. Rowe Price or your plan recordkeeper to determine which of your transactions are subject to the funds' 30-Day Purchase Block or an alternative policy.

*There is no guarantee that T. Rowe Price will be able to identify or prevent all excessive or short-term trades or trading practices.*

### **Unclaimed Accounts and Uncashed Checks**

If your account has no activity for a certain period of time and/or mail sent to you from T. Rowe Price (or your financial intermediary) is returned by the post office, T. Rowe Price (or your financial intermediary) may be required to transfer your account and any assets related to uncashed checks to the appropriate state under its abandoned property laws. To avoid such action, it is important to keep your account address up to date and periodically communicate with T. Rowe Price by contacting us or logging in to your account at least once every two years.

### **Delivery of Shareholder Documents**

If two or more accounts own the same fund, share the same address, and T. Rowe Price reasonably believes that the two accounts are part of the same household or institution, we may economize on fund expenses by mailing only one shareholder report and prospectus for the fund. If you need additional copies or do not want your mailings to be "household," please call Shareholder Services.

T. Rowe Price can deliver account statements, transaction confirmations, prospectuses, tax forms, and shareholder reports electronically. If you are a registered user of **troweprice.com**, you can consent to the electronic delivery of these documents by logging in and changing your mailing preferences. You can revoke your consent at any time through **troweprice.com**, and we will begin to send paper copies of these documents within a reasonable time after receiving your revocation.

## Signature Guarantees

***A Medallion signature guarantee is designed to protect you and the T. Rowe Price Funds from fraud by verifying your signature.***

A shareholder or financial intermediary may need to obtain a Medallion signature guarantee in certain situations, such as:

- Requests to wire redemption proceeds when bank account information is not already authorized and on file for an account;
- Requests to redeem over a specific dollar amount (varies by share class);
- Remitting redemption proceeds to any person, address, or bank account not on file;
- Establishing certain services after an account is opened; or
- Changing the account registration or broker-dealer of record for an account.

Financial intermediaries should contact T. Rowe Price Financial Institution Services for specific requirements.

The signature guarantee must be obtained from a financial institution that is a participant in a Medallion signature guarantee program. You can obtain a Medallion signature guarantee from certain banks, savings institutions, broker-dealers, and other guarantors acceptable to T. Rowe Price. When obtaining a Medallion signature guarantee, please discuss with the guarantor the dollar amount of your proposed transaction. It is important that the level of coverage provided by the guarantor's stamp covers the dollar amount of the transaction or it may be rejected. We cannot accept guarantees from notaries public or organizations that do not provide reimbursement in the case of fraud.

## Responsibility for Unauthorized Transactions

T. Rowe Price and its agents use procedures reasonably designed to confirm that telephone, electronic, and other instructions are genuine. These procedures include recording telephone calls; requiring personalized security codes or other information online and certain identifying information for telephone calls; requiring Medallion signature guarantees for certain transactions and account changes; and promptly sending confirmations of transactions and address changes. If T. Rowe Price and its agents follow these procedures, they are not responsible for any losses that may occur due to unauthorized instructions. For transactions conducted online, we recommend the use of a secure Internet browser. In addition, you should verify the accuracy of your confirmation statements immediately after you receive them and notify T. Rowe Price of any inaccuracies.

## Fund Operations and Shareholder Services

T. Rowe Price and The Bank of New York Mellon, subject to the oversight of T. Rowe Price, each provide certain accounting services to the T. Rowe Price Funds. T. Rowe Price Services, Inc., acts as the transfer agent and dividend disbursing agent and provides shareholder and administrative services to the funds. T. Rowe Price

Retirement Plan Services, Inc., provides recordkeeping, sub-transfer agency, and administrative services for certain types of retirement plans investing in the funds. These companies receive compensation from the funds for their services. The funds may also pay financial intermediaries for performing shareholder and administrative services for underlying shareholders in omnibus accounts. In addition, certain funds serve as an underlying fund in which some fund-of-funds products, the T. Rowe Price Spectrum and Retirement Funds, invest. Subject to approval by each applicable fund's Board, each underlying fund bears its proportionate share of the direct operating expenses of the T. Rowe Price Spectrum and Retirement Funds. All of the fees previously discussed are included in a fund's financial statements and, except for funds that have an all-inclusive management fee, are also reflected in the "Other expenses" line that appears in a fund's fee table in Section 1.

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## CONTACTING T. ROWE PRICE

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### Accounts Held Directly With T. Rowe Price

Investors who want to open an account directly with T. Rowe Price or who already have an account held directly with T. Rowe Price (and not through a financial intermediary) should refer to the following information.

**Online** You can open an account and place most transactions online at [troweprice.com](http://troweprice.com).

**Telephone** If you have questions relating to the opening of a new account (including Traditional, Roth, and Rollover IRAs and most nonretirement accounts) with T. Rowe Price, please call Investor Services at 1-800-638-5660. To place a transaction, report unauthorized activity on your account or a discrepancy on your transaction confirmation, elect out of the "householding" of prospectuses and shareholder reports, or ask a question about an existing account, please call Shareholder Services at 1-800-225-5132. If you find our phones busy during unusually volatile markets, please consider placing your order online.

To access information on fund performance, prices, account balances, and your latest transactions 24 hours a day, please call T. Rowe Price Tele\*Access<sup>®</sup> at 1-800-638-2587. (Please note that transactions cannot be placed through Tele\*Access<sup>®</sup>.)

If you are an institutional investor opening an account directly with T. Rowe Price or have questions or want to place a transaction on an existing account, please call Financial Institution Services at 1-800-638-8790.

For inquiries regarding funds owned in a small business retirement plan, which include SEP-IRA, SAR-SEP, SIMPLE IRA, individual 401(k), profit sharing, money purchase pension, and certain 403(b) plan accounts, please call T. Rowe Price

Retirement Client Services at 1-800-492-7670 or consult your plan administrator. Requests for redemptions from these types of retirement accounts may be required to be in writing.

Funds held through other employer-sponsored retirement plans should call the appropriate telephone number that appears on your retirement plan account statement.

If you hold shares of a T. Rowe Price Fund through a T. Rowe Price Brokerage account and want to place a transaction, please call 1-800-225-7720.

For inquiries or to place a transaction, the hearing-impaired should call the applicable number found under “Contacting T. Rowe Price” with a relay operator or visit the T. Rowe Price website at **troweprice.com**. Inquires may also be directed to [info@troweprice.com](mailto:info@troweprice.com).

**By Mail** Please be sure to use the correct address to avoid a delay in opening your account or processing your transaction. These addresses are subject to change at any time, so you may want to consider checking **troweprice.com/contactus** or calling the appropriate telephone number to ensure that you use the correct mailing address.

Investors (other than institutions and small business retirement plans) opening a new account or making additional purchases by check should use the following addresses:

***via U.S. Mail***

T. Rowe Price Account Services  
P.O. Box 17300  
Baltimore, MD 21297-1300

***via private carriers/overnight services***

T. Rowe Price Account Services  
Mail Code 17300  
4515 Painters Mill Road  
Owings Mills, MD 21117-4903

Investors (other than institutions and small business retirement plans) requesting an exchange or redemption should use the following addresses:

***via U.S. Mail***

T. Rowe Price Account Services  
P.O. Box 17468  
Baltimore, MD 21298-8275

***via private carriers/overnight services***

T. Rowe Price Account Services  
Mail Code 17468  
4515 Painters Mill Road  
Owings Mills, MD 21117-4903

Investors in a small business retirement plan opening a new account, making a purchase by check, or placing an exchange or redemption should use the following addresses:

***via U.S. Mail***

T. Rowe Price Retirement Client Services  
P.O. Box 17479  
Baltimore, MD 21297-1479

***via private carriers/overnight services***

T. Rowe Price  
Attn.: Retirement Operations  
4515 Painters Mill Road  
Owings Mills, MD 21117-4903

Institutional investors opening a new account, making a purchase by check, or placing an exchange or redemption should use the following addresses:

***via U.S. Mail***

T. Rowe Price Financial Institution Services  
P.O. Box 17300  
Baltimore, MD 21297-1603

***via private carriers/overnight services***

T. Rowe Price Financial Institution Services  
Mail Code: OM-4232  
4515 Painters Mill Road  
Owings Mills, MD 21117-4842

*Note:* Your transaction will receive the share price for the business day that the request is received by T. Rowe Price or its agent prior to the close of the NYSE (normally 4 p.m. ET), which could differ from the day that the request is received at the post office box.

### **Accounts Held Through Financial Intermediaries**

If you hold shares of a fund through a financial intermediary, you must contact your financial intermediary to determine the requirements for opening a new account and placing transactions. Financial intermediaries should refer to the following information.

**Telephone** To open a new account, place transactions, or ask any question about an account, please call Financial Institution Services at 1-800-638-8790.

**By Mail** Financial intermediaries should send new account agreements and other documentation to the following addresses:

***via U.S. Mail***

T. Rowe Price Financial Institution Services  
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## **INFORMATION ON DISTRIBUTIONS AND TAXES**

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Each fund intends to qualify to be treated each year as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. In order to qualify, a fund must satisfy certain income, diversification, and distribution requirements. A regulated investment company is not subject to U.S. federal income tax at the portfolio level on income and gains from investments that are distributed to shareholders. However, if a fund were to fail to qualify as a regulated investment company and was ineligible to or otherwise did not cure such failure, the result would be fund-level taxation and, consequently, a reduction in income available for distribution to the fund's shareholders.

***To the extent possible, all net investment income and realized capital gains are distributed to shareholders.***

## Dividends and Other Distributions

Except for the Retirement Income 2020 Fund, dividend and capital gain distributions are reinvested in additional fund shares in your account unless you select another option. For the Retirement Income 2020 Fund, subject to certain exceptions, regularly scheduled monthly dividends may generally not be reinvested. Reinvesting distributions results in compounding, which allows you to receive dividends and capital gain distributions on an increasing number of shares.

Distributions not reinvested may be paid by check or transmitted to your bank account via Automated Clearing House or may be automatically invested into another fund account. For the Retirement Income 2020 Fund, regularly scheduled monthly dividends are generally not paid by check. If the U.S. Postal Service cannot deliver your check or if your check remains uncashed for six months, the fund reserves the right to reinvest your distribution check in your account at the net asset value on the day of the reinvestment and to reinvest all subsequent distributions in additional shares of the fund. Interest will not accrue on amounts represented by uncashed distributions or redemption checks.

The following table provides details on dividend payments:

<i><b>Dividend Payment Schedule</b></i>	
<i><b>Fund</b></i>	<i><b>Dividends</b></i>
<b>Money market funds</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shares purchased via wire that are received by T. Rowe Price by noon ET begin to earn dividends on that day. Shares purchased via a wire received after noon ET and through other methods normally begin to earn dividends on the business day after payment is received by T. Rowe Price.</li> <li>• Dividends are declared daily and paid on the first business day of each month.</li> </ul>
<b>Bond funds</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shares normally begin to earn dividends on the business day after payment is received by T. Rowe Price.</li> <li>• Dividends are declared daily and paid on the first business day of each month.</li> </ul>
<b>These stock funds only:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Balanced</li> <li>• Dividend Growth</li> <li>• Equity Income</li> <li>• Equity Index 500</li> <li>• Global Real Estate</li> <li>• Growth &amp; Income</li> <li>• Personal Strategy Balanced</li> <li>• Personal Strategy Income</li> <li>• Real Estate</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dividends, if any, are declared and paid quarterly, in March, June, September, and December.</li> <li>• Must be a shareholder on the dividend record date.</li> </ul>
<b>These funds only:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capital Appreciation &amp; Income</li> <li>• Retirement Income 2020</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dividends are declared and normally paid in the middle of each month.</li> </ul>

<b><i>Dividend Payment Schedule</i></b>	
<b><i>Fund</i></b>	<b><i>Dividends</i></b>
<b>Other stock funds</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dividends, if any, are declared and paid annually, generally in December.</li> <li>• Must be a shareholder on the dividend record date.</li> </ul>
<b>Retirement, Retirement I, Spectrum, and Target Funds:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Retirement Balanced and Spectrum Income</li> <li>• All others</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shares normally begin to earn dividends on the business day after payment is received by T. Rowe Price.</li> <li>• Dividends are declared daily and paid on the first business day of each month.</li> <li>• Dividends, if any, are declared and paid annually, generally in December.</li> <li>• Must be a shareholder on the dividend record date.</li> </ul>

For funds that declare dividends daily, shares earn dividends through the date of a redemption (for redemptions from money market funds where the request is received prior to noon ET and proceeds are sent via wire, shares only earn dividends through the calendar day prior to the date of redemption). Shares redeemed on a Friday or prior to a holiday will continue to earn dividends until the next business day. Generally, if you redeem all of your shares at any time during the month, you will also receive all dividends earned through the date of redemption in the same check. When you redeem only a portion of your shares, all dividends accrued on those shares will be reinvested, or paid in cash, on the next dividend payment date. The funds do not pay dividends in fractional cents. Any dividend amount earned for a particular day on all shares held that is one-half of one cent or greater (for example, \$0.016) will be rounded up to the next whole cent (\$0.02), and any amount that is less than one-half of one cent (for example, \$0.014) will be rounded down to the nearest whole cent (\$0.01). Please note that if the dividend payable on all shares held is less than one-half of one cent for a particular day, no dividend will be earned for that day.

If you purchase and redeem your shares through a financial intermediary, consult your financial intermediary to determine when your shares begin and stop accruing dividends as the information previously described may vary.



## Capital Gain Payments

A capital gain or loss is the difference between the purchase and sale price of a security. If a fund has net capital gains for the year (after subtracting any capital losses), they are usually declared and paid in December to shareholders of record on a specified date that month. If a second distribution is necessary, it is generally paid the following year. A fund may have to make additional capital gain distributions, if necessary, to comply with the applicable tax law. Capital gains are not expected from government or retail money market funds since they are managed to maintain a stable share price. However, if a money market fund unexpectedly has net capital gains for the year (after subtracting any capital losses), the capital gain may be declared and paid in December to shareholders of record.

## Tax Information

In most cases, you will be provided information for your tax filing needs no later than mid-February.

If you invest in the fund through a tax-deferred account, such as an IRA or employer-sponsored retirement plan, you will not be subject to tax on dividends and distributions from the fund or the sale of fund shares if those amounts remain in the tax-deferred account. You may receive a Form 1099-R or other Internal Revenue Service forms, as applicable, if any portion of the account is distributed to you.

If you invest in the fund through a taxable account, you generally will be subject to tax when:

- You sell fund shares, including an exchange from one fund to another.
- The fund makes dividend or capital gain distributions.

Additional information about the taxation of dividends for certain T. Rowe Price Funds is listed below:

### ***Tax-Free and Municipal Funds***

- Regular monthly dividends (including those from the state-specific tax-free funds) are expected to be exempt from federal income taxes.
- Exemption is not guaranteed since the fund has the right under certain conditions to invest in nonexempt securities.
- Tax-exempt dividends paid to Social Security recipients may increase the portion of benefits that is subject to tax.
- For state-specific funds, the monthly dividends you receive are expected to be exempt from state and local income tax of that particular state. For other funds, a small portion of your income dividend may be exempt from state and local income taxes.
- If a fund invests in certain "private activity" bonds that are not exempt from the alternative minimum tax, shareholders who are subject to the alternative minimum tax must include income generated by those bonds in their alternative minimum tax calculation. The portion of a fund's income dividend that should be included in your alternative minimum tax calculation, if any, will be reported to you by mid-February on Form 1099-DIV.

For individual shareholders, a portion of ordinary dividends representing “qualified dividend income” received by the fund may be subject to tax at the lower rates applicable to long-term capital gains rather than ordinary income. You may report it as “qualified dividend income” in computing your taxes, provided you have held the fund shares on which the dividend was paid for more than 60 days during the 121-day period beginning 60 days before the ex-dividend date. Ordinary dividends that do not qualify for this lower rate are generally taxable at the investor’s marginal income tax rate. This includes the portion of ordinary dividends derived from interest, short-term capital gains, distributions from nonqualified foreign corporations, and dividends received by the fund from stocks that were on loan. Little, if any, of the ordinary dividends paid by the Global Real Estate Fund, Real Estate Fund, bond funds, or money market funds is expected to qualify for this lower rate.

For corporate shareholders, a portion of ordinary dividends may be eligible for the deduction for dividends received by corporations to the extent the fund’s income consists of dividends paid by U.S. corporations. Little, if any, of the ordinary dividends paid by the international stock funds, bond funds, or money market funds is expected to qualify for this deduction.

A 3.8% net investment income tax is imposed on net investment income, including interest, dividends, and capital gains of U.S. individuals with income exceeding \$200,000 (or \$250,000 if married filing jointly) and of estates and trusts.

If you hold your fund through a financial intermediary, the financial intermediary is responsible for providing you with any necessary tax forms. You should contact your financial intermediary for the tax information that will be sent to you and reported to the Internal Revenue Service.

### **Taxes on Fund Redemptions**

When you sell shares in any fund, you may realize a gain or loss. An exchange from one fund to another fund in a taxable account is also a sale for tax purposes. As long as a money market fund maintains a stable share price of \$1.00, a redemption or exchange to another fund will not result in a gain or loss for tax purposes. However, an exchange from one fund into a money market fund may result in a gain or loss on the fund from which shares were redeemed.

All or a portion of the loss realized from a sale or exchange of your fund shares may be disallowed under the “wash sale” rule if you purchase substantially identical shares within a 61-day period beginning 30 days before and ending 30 days after the date on which the shares are sold or exchanged. Shares of the same fund you acquire through dividend reinvestment are shares purchased for the purpose of the wash sale rule and may trigger a disallowance of the loss for shares sold or exchanged within the 61-day period of the dividend reinvestment. Any loss disallowed under the wash sale rule is added to the cost basis of the purchased shares.

T. Rowe Price (or your financial intermediary) will make available to you Form 1099-B, if applicable, no later than mid-February, providing certain information for each sale you made in the fund during the prior year. Unless otherwise indicated on your Form 1099-B, this information will also be reported to the Internal Revenue Service. For mutual fund shares acquired prior to 2012 in most accounts established or opened by exchange in 1984 or later, our Form 1099-B will provide you with the gain or loss on the shares you sold during the year based on the average cost single category method. This information on average cost and gain or loss from sale is not reported to the Internal Revenue Service. For these mutual fund shares acquired prior to 2012, you may calculate the cost basis using other methods acceptable to the Internal Revenue Service, such as specific identification.

For mutual fund shares acquired after 2011, federal income tax regulations require us to report the cost basis information on Form 1099-B using a cost basis method selected by the shareholder in compliance with such regulations or, in the absence of such selected method, our default method if you acquire your shares directly from T. Rowe Price. Our default method is average cost. For any fund shares acquired through a financial intermediary after 2011, you should check with your financial intermediary regarding the applicable cost basis method. You should, however, note that the cost basis information reported to you may not always be the same as what you should report on your tax return because the rules applicable to the determination of cost basis on Form 1099-B may be different from the rules applicable to the determination of cost basis for reporting on your tax return. Therefore, you should save your transaction records to make sure the information reported on your tax return is accurate. T. Rowe Price and financial intermediaries are not required to issue a Form 1099-B to report sales of money market fund shares.

To help you maintain accurate records, T. Rowe Price will make available to you a confirmation promptly following each transaction you make (except for systematic purchases and systematic redemptions) and a year-end statement detailing all of your transactions in each fund account during the year. If you hold your fund through a financial intermediary, the financial intermediary is responsible for providing you with transaction confirmations and statements.

### **Taxes on Fund Distributions**

T. Rowe Price (or your financial intermediary) will make available to you, as applicable, generally no later than mid-February, a Form 1099-DIV, or other Internal Revenue Service forms, as required, indicating the tax status of any income dividends, dividends exempt from federal income taxes, and capital gain distributions made to you. This information will be reported to the Internal Revenue Service. Taxable distributions are generally taxable to you in the year in which they are paid. A dividend declared in October, November, or December and paid in the following January is generally treated as taxable to you as if you received the distribution in December. Dividends from tax-free funds are generally expected to be tax-exempt for federal income tax purposes. Your bond fund and money market fund

dividends for each calendar year will include dividends accrued up to the first business day of the next calendar year. Ordinary dividends and capital gain dividends may also be subject to state and local taxes. You will be sent any additional information you need to determine your taxes on fund distributions, such as the portion of your dividends, if any, that may be exempt from state and local income taxes.

***Taxable distributions are subject to tax whether reinvested in additional shares or received in cash.***

The tax treatment of a capital gain distribution is determined by how long the fund held the portfolio securities, not how long you held the shares in the fund. Short-term (one year or less) capital gain distributions are taxable at the same rate as ordinary income, and gains on securities held for more than one year are taxed at the lower rates applicable to long-term capital gains. If you realized a loss on the sale or exchange of fund shares that you held for six months or less, your short-term capital loss must be reclassified as a long-term capital loss to the extent of any long-term capital gain distributions received during the period you held the shares. For funds investing in foreign instruments, distributions resulting from the sale of certain foreign currencies, currency contracts, and the foreign currency portion of gains on debt instruments are taxed as ordinary income. Net foreign currency losses may cause monthly or quarterly dividends to be reclassified as returns of capital.

A fund's distributions that have exceeded the fund's earnings and profits for the relevant tax year may be treated as a return of capital to its shareholders. A return of capital distribution is generally nontaxable but reduces the shareholder's cost basis in the fund, and any return of capital in excess of the cost basis will result in a capital gain.

The tax status of certain distributions may be recharacterized on year-end tax forms, such as your Form 1099-DIV. Distributions made by a fund may later be recharacterized for federal income tax purposes—for example, from taxable ordinary income dividends to returns of capital. A recharacterization of distributions may occur for a number of reasons, including the recharacterization of income received from underlying investments, such as real estate investment trusts (REITs), and distributions that exceed taxable income due to losses from foreign currency transactions or other investment transactions. Certain funds, including international bond funds and funds that invest significantly in REITs, are more likely to recharacterize a portion of their distributions as a result of their investments. The Retirement Income 2020 Fund is also more likely to have some or all of its distributions recharacterized as returns of capital because of the predetermined monthly distribution amount.

If the fund qualifies and elects to pass through nonrefundable foreign income taxes paid to foreign governments during the year, your portion of such taxes will be reported to you as taxable income. However, you may be able to claim an offsetting

credit or deduction on your tax return for those amounts. There can be no assurance that a fund will meet the requirements to pass through foreign income taxes paid.

If you are subject to backup withholding, we will have to withhold a 24% backup withholding tax on distributions and, in some cases, redemption payments. You may be subject to backup withholding if we are notified by the Internal Revenue Service to withhold, you have failed one or more tax certification requirements, or our records indicate that your tax identification number is missing or incorrect. Backup withholding is not an additional tax and is generally available to credit against your federal income tax liability with any excess refunded to you by the Internal Revenue Service.

The following table provides additional details on distributions for certain funds:

<b><i>Taxes on Fund Distributions</i></b>
<p><b><i>Tax-Free and Municipal Funds</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gains realized on the sale of market discount bonds with maturities beyond one year may be treated as ordinary income and cannot be offset by other capital losses.</li> <li>• Payments received or gains realized on certain derivative transactions may result in taxable ordinary income or capital gains.</li> <li>• To the extent the fund makes such investments, the likelihood of a taxable distribution will be increased.</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>Limited Duration Inflation Focused Bond and Inflation Protected Bond Funds</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inflation adjustments on Treasury inflation protected securities that exceed deflation adjustments for the year will be distributed as a short-term capital gain, resulting in ordinary income.</li> <li>• In computing the distribution amount, the funds cannot reduce inflation adjustments by short- or long-term capital losses from the sales of securities.</li> <li>• Net deflation adjustments for a year may result in all or a portion of dividends paid earlier in the year being treated as a return of capital.</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>Retirement, Retirement I, Spectrum, and Target Funds</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Distributions by the underlying funds and changes in asset allocations may result in taxable distributions of ordinary income or capital gains.</li> </ul>

### **Tax Consequences of Liquidity Fees**

It is currently anticipated that shareholders of retail money market funds that impose a liquidity fee may generally treat the liquidity fee as offsetting the shareholder's amount realized on the redemption (thereby decreasing the shareholder's gain, or increasing the shareholder's loss, on the redeemed amount). A fund that imposes a liquidity fee anticipates using 100% of the fee to help repair a market-based net asset value per share that was below \$1.00.

Because the retail money market funds use amortized cost to maintain a stable share price of \$1.00, in the event that a liquidity fee is imposed, a fund may need to distribute to its remaining shareholders sufficient value to prevent the fund from breaking the buck on the upside (i.e., by rounding up to \$1.01 in pricing its shares) if the imposition of a liquidity fee causes the fund's market-based net asset value to

reach \$1.0050. To the extent that a fund has sufficient earnings and profits to support the distribution, the additional dividends would be taxable as ordinary income to shareholders and would be eligible for deduction by the fund. Any distribution in excess of the fund's earnings and profits would be treated as a return of capital, which would reduce your cost basis in the fund shares.

### **Tax Consequences of Hedging**

Entering into certain transactions involving options, futures, swaps, and forward currency exchange contracts may result in the application of the mark-to-market and straddle provisions of the Internal Revenue Code. These provisions could result in a fund being required to distribute gains on such transactions even though it did not close the contracts during the year or receive cash to pay such distributions. The fund may not be able to reduce its distributions for losses on such transactions to the extent of unrealized gains in offsetting positions.

### **Tax Effect of Buying Shares Before an Income Dividend or Capital Gain Distribution**

If you buy shares shortly before or on the record date—the date that establishes you as the person to receive the upcoming distribution—you may receive a portion of the money you just invested in the form of a taxable distribution. Therefore, you may wish to find out a fund's record date before investing. In addition, a fund's share price may, at any time, reflect undistributed capital gains or income and unrealized appreciation, which may result in future taxable distributions. Such distributions can occur even in a year when the fund has a negative return.

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## **RIGHTS RESERVED BY THE FUNDS**

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T. Rowe Price Funds and their agents, in their sole discretion, reserve the following rights: (1) to waive or lower investment minimums; (2) to accept initial purchases by telephone; (3) to refuse any purchase or exchange order; (4) to cancel or rescind any purchase or exchange order placed through a financial intermediary no later than the business day after the order is received by the financial intermediary (including, but not limited to, orders deemed to result in excessive trading, market timing, or 5% ownership); (5) to cease offering fund shares at any time to all or certain groups of investors; (6) to freeze any account and suspend account services when notice has been received of a dispute regarding the ownership of the account, or a legal claim against an account, upon initial notification to T. Rowe Price of a shareholder's death until T. Rowe Price receives required documentation in correct form, or if there is reason to believe a fraudulent transaction may occur; (7) to otherwise modify the conditions of purchase and modify or terminate any services at any time; (8) to waive any wire, small account, maintenance, or fiduciary fees charged to a group of shareholders; (9) to act on instructions reasonably believed to be genuine; (10) to involuntarily redeem an account at the net asset value calculated the day the account is redeemed, in cases of threatening conduct, suspected fraudulent or

illegal activity, or if the fund or its agent is unable, through its procedures, to verify the identity of the person(s) or entity opening an account; and (11) for money market funds, to suspend redemptions to facilitate an orderly liquidation.

The fund's Statement of Additional Information, which contains a more detailed description of the fund's operations, investment restrictions, policies and practices, has been filed with the SEC. The Statement of Additional Information is incorporated by reference into this prospectus, which means that it is legally part of this prospectus even if you do not request a copy. Further information about the fund's investments, including a review of market conditions and the manager's recent investment strategies and their impact on performance during the past fiscal year, is available in the annual and semiannual shareholder reports. These documents and updated performance information are available through [troweprice.com](http://troweprice.com). For inquiries about the fund and to obtain free copies of any of these documents, call 1-800-638-5660. If you invest in the fund through a financial intermediary, you should contact your financial intermediary for copies of these documents.

Fund information and Statements of Additional Information are also available from the Public Reference Room of the SEC. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling the SEC at 1-202-551-8090. Fund reports and other fund information are available on the EDGAR Database on the SEC's Internet site at <http://www.sec.gov>. Copies of this information may be obtained, after paying a duplicating fee, by electronic request at [publicinfo@sec.gov](mailto:publicinfo@sec.gov), or by writing the Public Reference Room, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549-1520.

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