

Fund Data

Investment Policy

The objective of the investment policy is to achieve sustained capital appreciation. In order to achieve this, the fund mainly invests in equities of United States issuers from which an above-average dividend yield is expected. A major criterion when selecting the equities is the level of the dividend yield. However, the dividend yields do not necessarily have to be above the market average. The investment universe is among others defined by environmental and social aspects and principles of good corporate governance. The fund is actively managed.

Fund Management's Comment

You can find the Fund management's detailed commentary in DWS Flagship Fund Reporting and on the individual pages of the factsheets.

Morningstar Style-Box™



Investment Style

Morningstar Category™

US Large-Cap Value Equity

Ratings

(As at: 30/01/2026)

Morningstar Overall Rating™: Lipper Leaders: 

Performance

Performance (in %) - Share Class LC(EUR)



Period	Fund
02/2016 - 02/2017	16.0
02/2017 - 02/2018	-4.9
02/2018 - 02/2019	9.6
02/2019 - 02/2020	0.2
02/2020 - 02/2021	4.2
02/2021 - 02/2022	21.2
02/2022 - 02/2023	2.6
02/2023 - 02/2024	10.7
02/2024 - 02/2025	17.1
02/2025 - 02/2026	0.5

Fund

Calculation of performance is based on the time-weighted return and excludes front-end fees. Individual costs such as fees, commissions and other charges have not been included in this presentation and would have an adverse impact on returns if they were included. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns.

Cumulative performance (in %) - share class LC(EUR)

	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2022	2023	2024	2025
EUR	5.4	0.5	30.3	62.0	236.8	5.8	9.2	10.1	-1.2	3.8	18.0	-0.1

Further Characteristics (3 years) / VAR (1 year) - share class LC(EUR)

Volatility	10.89%	Maximum Drawdown	-13.39%	VAR (99%/10 days)	11.74%
Sharpe Ratio	0.54	Information Ratio	--	Correlation Coefficient	--
Alpha	--	Beta	--	Tracking Error	--

Portfolio Analysis

Breakdown by Sector (Equities)	(in % of fund volume)	Principal Holdings (Equities)	(in % of fund volume)
Portfolio Breakdown according to MSCI			
Health Care	23.4	Johnson & Johnson (Health Care)	4.8
Information Technology	14.3	AbbVie Inc (Health Care)	3.9
Financials	13.2	Procter & Gamble Co/The (Consumer Staples)	3.2
Industrials	11.8	Merck & Co Inc (Health Care)	2.9
Consumer Staples	11.2	Coca-Cola Co/The (Consumer Staples)	2.6
Consumer Discretionary	9.3	CME Group Inc/IL (Financials)	2.5
Utilities	5.4	Hydro One Ltd (Utilities)	2.4
Materials	4.9	Home Depot Inc/The (Consumer Discretionary)	2.2
Communication Services	4.0	Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd (Materials)	2.2
Real Estate	1.9	Cisco Systems Inc (Information Technology)	2.0
		Total	28.7
Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.		Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.	

Breakdown by Country (Equities)

	(in % of fund volume)
USA	86.6
Canada	8.3
Ireland	4.0
Great Britain	0.6

Asset Allocation

	(in % of fund volume)
Equities	98.4
REITs	1.1
Cash and other assets	0.5

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Factsheet: DWS Invest II ESG US Top Dividend



Equity Funds - USA

February 2026

As at 27/02/2026

Portfolio Analysis

Breakdown by Currency	(in % of fund volume)
United States dollar	92.0
Canadian dollar	8.9
Euro	-0.9

Market Capitalization	(in % of fund volume)
> 10 Bn.	97.7
> 5 Bn. < 10 Bn.	0.6
Others	1.1

Incl. forward exchange transactions, negative and positive figures reflect expected currency developments.

Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions. The calculation is based on Euro.

Key Figures regarding the Fund's Assets

Number of Shares	92	Dividend Yield (in %)	2.3	Ø Market Cap	182,164.8 Mio. EUR
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Cumulative performance (in %)

	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2022	2023	2024	2025
FC(EUR)	5.5	1.3	33.3	68.2	274.3	5.9	10.1	11.0	-0.4	4.5	18.9	0.6
FD(EUR)	5.5	1.2	33.3	68.2	207.0	5.9	10.0	11.0	-0.4	4.5	18.9	0.6
IC(EUR)	5.5	1.6	--	--	2.0	6.0	--	--	--	--	--	0.9
LC(EUR)	5.4	0.5	30.3	62.0	236.8	5.8	9.2	10.1	-1.2	3.8	18.0	-0.1
LCH (P)(EUR)	4.4	11.1	36.7	44.7	100.7	5.8	11.0	7.7	-8.8	5.1	10.0	10.2
LD(EUR)	5.4	0.5	30.3	62.0	236.8	5.8	9.2	10.1	-1.2	3.8	18.0	-0.1
NC(EUR)	5.3	-0.2	27.6	56.5	205.9	5.7	8.5	9.4	-1.9	3.0	17.2	-0.8
NCH (P)(EUR)	4.4	10.3	34.0	39.8	83.9	5.7	10.2	6.9	-9.4	4.3	9.2	9.4
TFC(EUR)	5.5	1.2	33.3	68.2	93.1	5.9	10.0	11.0	-0.5	4.6	18.9	0.6
TFD(EUR)	5.5	1.2	33.3	68.3	93.4	5.9	10.1	11.0	-0.4	4.5	18.9	0.6
USD LC(USD)	4.5	13.9	44.5	57.7	142.8	6.1	13.1	9.5	-6.8	7.5	10.9	12.9

Factsheet: DWS Invest II ESG US Top Dividend



Equity Funds - USA

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Fund Data

Portfolio Manager	Katharina Seiler	Assets	371.3 Mio. EUR
Portfolio Manager since	02/07/2012	Fund Currency	EUR
Portfolio Management Company	DWS Investment GmbH	Launch Date	02/07/2012
Portfolio Management Location	Germany	Fiscal Year End	31/12/2026
Management Company	DWS Investment S.A.	Investor profile	Growth-oriented
Legal Structure	SICAV		
Custodian	State Street Bank International GmbH, Zweign. Luxe		

Share Classes

Share Class	Cur.	ISIN Code	German Sec. Code	Earnings	Front-end Load ¹ up to	Issue Price	Redemption Price	Management Fee p.a.	Running costs / TER p.a.	plus performance-related fee p.a.	Minimum Investment Amount
FC	EUR	LU0781239156	DWS 1EM	Accumulation	0.00%	374.28	374.28	0.750%	0.84% (1)	--	2,000,000
FD	EUR	LU0781239230	DWS 1EN	Distribution	0.00%	243.88	243.88	0.750%	0.86% (1)	--	2,000,000
IC	EUR	LU0781239313	DWS 3NJ	Accumulation	0.00%	101.96	101.96	0.500%	0.54% (1)	--	10,000,000
LC	EUR	LU0781238778	DWS 1EH	Accumulation	5.00%	354.53	336.81	1.500%	1.61% (1)	--	--
LCH (P)	EUR	LU0781239586	DWS 1ER	Accumulation	5.00%	211.29	200.73	1.500%	1.63% (1)	--	--
LD	EUR	LU0781238851	DWS 1EJ	Distribution	5.00%	271.47	257.89	1.500%	1.61% (1)	--	--
NC	EUR	LU0781238935	DWS 1EK	Accumulation	3.00%	315.39	305.93	2.000%	2.31% (1)	--	--
NCH (P)	EUR	LU0781239743	DWS 1ET	Accumulation	3.00%	189.62	183.93	2.000%	2.33% (1)	--	--
TFC	EUR	LU1663960422	DWS 2R6	Accumulation	0.00%	193.06	193.06	0.750%	0.84% (1)	--	--
TFD	EUR	LU1663960695	DWS 2R7	Distribution	0.00%	165.90	165.90	0.750%	0.86% (1)	--	--
USD LC	USD	LU0781240089	DWS 1EV	Accumulation	5.00%	255.62	242.83	1.500%	1.61% (1)	--	--

(1) The Total Expense Ratio (TER) generally includes all expense items charged to the Fund apart from transaction costs and performance fees. If the Fund invests portions of its assets in target funds, the costs of the respective target funds will also be taken into account. The Fund incurred the total expenses listed here in its last financial year, which ended on 31/12/2025. They are subject to change from year to year.

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Note

¹ Based on the gross investment.

Because of its composition or the techniques used by its managers, the fund is subject to heightened volatility. Consequently, unit prices may fluctuate sharply in either direction within short periods of time.
Figures subject to audit. The current sales prospectus which is legally binding for the purchase of fund units is available from your financial consultant or DWS Investment GmbH. The sales prospectus contains detailed information about risk. Evaluations made in this report may change at any time without prior announcement. These statements are based on our assessment of the current legal and tax information.

Transparency in accordance with Article 8 of the Disclosure Regulation (EU) No 2019/2088. Link: <https://funds.dws.com/en-lu/equity-funds/DWS000001002>

Fund Management's Comment: DWS Invest II ESG US Top Dividend Equity Funds - USA



Data in relation to the fund or the leading unit class.

February 2026

As at 27/02/2026

Performance Review

Global equity markets continued to advance in February, albeit with pronounced regional and sectoral divergences. While most non-US regions recorded solid gains, US equity markets ended the month in negative territory, reflecting a rotation rather than a broad risk-off move. Market breadth improved meaningfully, with value stocks outperforming growth and small- and mid-cap equities outperforming large-cap peers.

Investor concerns around potential business model disruption from artificial intelligence weighed heavily on large parts of the US software and IT sector, leading to sharp price corrections among perceived "AI losers." In contrast, memory chip manufacturers remained in demand, reflecting continued confidence in structural AI-related investment themes. At the same time, geopolitical developments remained in focus, with rising tensions around Iran adding to uncertainty. In the US, markets also reacted to the Supreme Court ruling declaring Trump-era trade tariffs unconstitutional, which triggered renewed debate around future trade policy.

The earnings season for the fourth quarter of 2025 ended in February. On the aggregate, sales growth for reported companies was about 9,3% and its earnings growth increased by +13,62%. This was a small acceleration vs prior quarter, but a deceleration vs. last year. Technology and industrials showed the highest earnings growth compared to the last year, while consumer discretionary, health care and energy were among the weakest.

The S&P 500 finished the month with -0,8% in USD (-0,4% in EUR). The best performing sectors were energy, materials and consumer staples, whilst financials, technology and consumer discretionary were the top laggards.

During February, the DWS Invest II ESG US Top Dividend outperformed the market mainly due to its defensive positioning.

Performance Attribution

From an allocation and/or selection point of view, the largest positive contribution to the relative return, measured against the broad market, was obtained by IT, health care, consumer discretionary and communications. Negative contributor was energy. Although we refer to relative returns and weightings, the broad market should not be considered as the benchmark for the fund.

On the single stock level, the largest positive contribution came from Corning and Agnico Mines. On the other hand, IBM and Accenture were among negative contributors to the performance.

Current Positioning

The fund focuses on high dividend-yield and dividend-growth companies with moderate pay-out ratios, strong balance sheets and cash flow, stable or expanding business model, and strong management.

Outlook

The potential impact of the new US administration on the economic and foreign policies of the world's largest economies remains a key factor to monitor. In this volatile and uncertain market environment, our investment approach remains fundamentally defensive, prioritizing stability. Dividend-paying stocks continue to offer an attractive combination of steady income generation and long-term capital appreciation, making them a compelling choice for investors seeking a balanced risk-return profile. Furthermore, with ongoing uncertainties surrounding interest rate trajectories, inflation and geopolitical tensions, a conservative dividend strategy provides a buffer against market volatility. We continue to focus on high-quality companies with strong defensive characteristics, robust cash flows, and sustainable dividends. Additionally, sector allocation remains crucial, with an emphasis on industries that demonstrate pricing power, structural growth, and resilience in uncertain economic conditions. As global markets adjust to evolving macroeconomic forces, maintaining a disciplined, long-term investment perspective will be key to navigating upcoming challenges and opportunities.

Opportunities

In accordance with the investment policy.

Risks

- The fund invests its assets in selected regions or sectors. This increases the risk that the fund may be negatively influenced by the economic and political conditions in the respective regions or sectors.
- The fund invests in equities. Equities are subject to strong price fluctuations and thus also to the risk of price decreases.
- The fund seeks to generate income from dividends, i.e. from expected distributions per equity. If a company distributes a smaller dividend than expected or no dividend at all, this can have a negative impact on the value of equities or derivatives.
- Due to its composition/the techniques used by the Fund management, the investment fund has elevated volatility, i.e. the share price may be subject to significant fluctuations up or down within short periods of time. The share value may fall below the purchase price at which the customer acquired the share at any time.

Important note on the investor profile:

Investor profile: Growth-oriented

The sub-fund is designed for growth-oriented investors who wish to achieve capital appreciation primarily through equity gains and exchange rate movements. Expected earnings are offset by high equity, interest rate and currency risks as well as creditworthiness risks and the possibility of heavy losses of the invested capital, up to the total amount invested. The investor is willing and able to bear such a financial loss, and does not prioritize capital preservation.

The Company provides additional information relating to the profile of the typical investor or target customer group for this financial product to distribution agents and distribution partners. If the investor is advised on the acquisition of units by the Company's distribution agents or distribution partners, or if they act as brokers in the purchase of units, they may also provide the investor additional information that also relates to the profile of the typical investor.

Supplementary information on the target market and product costs resulting from the implementation of the MiFID2 Directive and made available to distribution agents by the capital management company can be obtained in electronic form from the Company's website at www.dws.com.

Please note that the information from Morningstar and Lipper Leaders relates to the previous month.

Morningstar Overall Rating™

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First digit = Total Return; second digit = Consistent Return; third digit = Preservation; fourth digit = Expense

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The gross-performance calculated (BVI method) considers all costs on the Funds/Sub-Funds level (e.g. Management Fee). In addition, the net-performance considers a contingent Upfront Sales Charge.

Past performance is not a reliable indication of future performance.

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DWS Investment GmbH, 2026

Alpha

A measure of the difference between the risk-adjusted return on an investment and a benchmark. The alpha measures the part of the performance that cannot be explained by market movements or market risk, but rather is derived from the selection of securities within the market. Alpha is a way of measuring the active contribution to performance made by the portfolio manager. It is also a good yardstick to use when comparing several funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Average dividend yield

Measures the average dividend amount, based on the current share price. This figure is calculated based on the shares (including ADRs/GDRs - > Depositary receipts) and REITs contained in a fund.

Average market capitalization

Measures the average market capitalization of the shares, REITs and ADRs/GDRs (depository receipts) contained in a fund. The market capitalization represents the total market value of a company as determined by multiplying the number of shares issued by the current share price.

Beta factor

A measure of sensitivity - given as the average percentage change in the price of a fund when the market (benchmark) rises or falls by 1%. A value over (under) 1 means that on average the fund exhibits more (less) volatility than the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Correlation coefficient

Describes the degree to which two values (fund versus benchmark) move in the same direction. The value of the correlation coefficient is between -1 and +1. A correlation of +1 means that the fund generally moves in the same direction as the benchmark, while -1 indicates that the fund generally moves in the opposite direction. A correlation of 0 means that there is no relation between the price movements of the fund and the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Coupon

The coupon is the portfolio's average weighted coupon.

Duration (in years/in months)

A measure of the sensitivity of an investment to changes in interest rates. Duration, which was developed by Frederick Macaulay, is the average period for which invested capital is committed. Because of the interest payable over time on the invested capital, duration is shorter than -> maturity. This version of duration is used in DWS Top Reporting and refers to invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

Information ratio

The information ratio measures the difference between the annualized average return of the fund and that of the benchmark, divided by the Tracking error. The higher this value is, the more the investor compensated for the risk in the fund. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Maximum drawdown

The maximum drawdown is the largest percentage drop in value in a given period of time. It measures the amount the fund falls from its highest point to its lowest point in the selected timeframe. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Modified duration (in years/in months)

Serves as a measure of interest-rate sensitivity. Modified duration indicates the percentage change in price of a bond (in a portfolio) when the market interest rate changes by 1%. In order to calculate the percentage change in the bond price, the modified duration of the bond is multiplied by the percentage change in the interest rate. This figure helps investors assess the risks and opportunities of a bond at a glance.

Sharpe ratio

A measure of risk developed by William F. Sharpe, defined as the excess return on an investment over that of a risk-free investment in relation to the risk of the investment. The higher the Sharpe ratio, the higher the return the investor receives for the risk the investment carries (expressed in volatility). The Sharpe ratio can be used to compare multiple funds. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

Tracking error

The tracking error is the standard deviation of the yield differential between a fund and its benchmark. This makes it a measure of how well the fund manager tracks the benchmark. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.

VaR (Value at Risk)

A measure of risk that indicates the maximum fund losses with a given probability for a given period of time (holding period). VaR is calculated on the basis of the daily prices of the individual securities contained in the portfolio for a year.

Weighted Average Life

The weighted average life of the times of the principal repayments of a liability, i.e. a bond. Refers to invested fund assets (without "Cash and other holdings").

Yield

The yield is the annual return on a capital investment, measured as the actual interest earned (effective yield) on the capital invested. It is based on the fund's income (e.g., interest, dividends, realized capital gains) and change in the price of the assets held in the fund. The yield of a fund is

derived from the invested assets (without "Cash and other holdings") and is presented as a "gross" figure, i.e., before the deduction of total expenses/fee.

Volatility
Volatility expresses the degree to which the yield on an investment (the price performance of a fund, for example) varies from a mean value in a specific period of time. This makes it a measure of fund risk. The greater the variation from the mean, the higher the volatility. Knowing the volatility allows investors to assess how uncertain the return potential of an investment is. The figure is calculated on a 3-yearly basis.