

## Factsheet: DWS Top Dividende



Equity Funds - Global

February 2026

As at 27/02/2026

## Fund Data

## Investment Policy

DWS Top Dividende offers an equity investment with the opportunity for current income. Management invests globally in equities, primarily highly-capitalized companies, that it expects to offer dividend yields higher than the market average. 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™



## Morningstar Category™

Global Equity Income

## Ratings

(As at: 30/01/2026)

Morningstar Overall Rating™:

Lipper Leaders:

## Performance

## Performance (in %) - Share Class LD



Period	Fund
02/2016 - 02/2017	14.4
02/2017 - 02/2018	-7.3
02/2018 - 02/2019	8.9
02/2019 - 02/2020	3.9
02/2020 - 02/2021	-0.8
02/2021 - 02/2022	18.8
02/2022 - 02/2023	2.2
02/2023 - 02/2024	1.8
02/2024 - 02/2025	15.4
02/2025 - 02/2026	20.6

## 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 LD

	1 m	1 y	3 y	5 y	s. Inception	YTD	3 y avg	5 y avg	2022	2023	2024	2025
EUR	7.5	20.6	41.7	71.9	614.9	13.6	12.3	11.4	0.5	1.3	9.5	13.4

## Further Characteristics (3 years) / VAR (1 year) - share class LD

Volatility	8.12%	Maximum Drawdown	-4.58%	VAR (99%/10 days)	7.81%
Sharpe Ratio	1.06	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)
<b>Portfolio Breakdown according to MSCI</b>	
Financials 14.8	Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd (Materials) 4.6
Health Care 11.0	Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Co Ltd (Info) 4.0
Materials 10.4	Johnson & Johnson (Health Care) 2.8
Energy 9.6	Samsung Electronics Co Ltd (Information Technol) 2.8
Consumer Staples 9.3	Shell PLC (Energy) 2.7
Information Technology 8.7	TotalEnergies SE (Energy) 2.5
Utilities 8.1	NextEra Energy Inc (Utilities) 2.4
Industrials 7.6	Enbridge Inc (Energy) 2.2
Communication Services 2.8	Schlumberger NV (Energy) 2.2
Consumer Discretionary 0.6	HSBC Holdings PLC (Financials) 2.0
	Total 28.2
Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.	Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.

Breakdown by Country (Equities) (in % of fund volume)	Asset Allocation (in % of fund volume)
USA 26.4	Equities 83.0
Canada 10.0	Commodities 8.0
Great Britain 9.2	Bonds 7.4
France 7.9	Cash and other assets 1.6
Germany 5.7	
Switzerland 4.1	
Taiwan 4.0	
Norway 3.9	
Korea 2.8	
Ireland 1.7	
Sweden 1.4	
Other Countries 5.7	
Gross weighting, not adjusted for derivative positions.	

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Breakdown by Currency	(in % of fund volume)
United States dollar	41.4
Euro	30.8
Pound sterling	5.6
Swiss franc	4.6
Taiwan dollar - new -	4.0
Norwegian krone	3.9
Canadian dollar	3.7
South Korean won	2.8
Swedish krona	1.4
Japanese yen	0.9
Danish krone	0.8

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

Market Capitalization	(in % of fund volume)
> 10 Bn.	82.6
> 1 Bn. < 5 Bn.	0.4

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

## Key Figures regarding the Fund's Assets

Number of Shares	63	Dividend Yield (in %)	2.8	Ø Market Cap	214,929.6 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
FD	7.5	21.2	44.0	76.7	197.9	13.7	12.9	12.1	1.0	1.8	10.1	14.1
LC	7.5	20.6	41.7	71.9	88.3	13.6	12.3	11.4	0.5	1.3	9.5	13.4
LD	7.5	20.6	41.7	71.9	614.9	13.6	12.3	11.4	0.5	1.3	9.5	13.4
LDQ	7.5	20.6	41.7	71.8	103.0	13.6	12.3	11.4	0.4	1.3	9.5	13.5
RC	7.5	20.6	41.9	72.3	89.0	13.6	12.4	11.5	0.5	1.3	9.5	13.5
TFC	7.6	21.3	44.5	77.6	95.0	13.7	13.0	12.2	1.1	2.0	10.2	14.2
TFD	7.6	21.3	44.4	77.6	97.2	13.7	13.0	12.2	1.1	1.9	10.2	14.2

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Portfolio Manager	Dr. Thomas-P Schuessler	Assets	24,376.5 Mio. EUR
Portfolio Manager since	05/10/2005	Fund Currency	EUR
Portfolio Management Company	DWS Investment GmbH	Launch Date	28/04/2003
Portfolio Management Location	Germany	Fiscal Year End	30/09/2026
Management Company	DWS Investment GmbH	Investor profile	Growth-oriented
Legal Structure	Fund		
Custodian	State Street Bank International GmbH		

## Share Classes

Share Class	Cur.	ISIN Code	German Sec. Code	Earnings	Front-end Load	Issue Price	Redemption Price	All-in-Fee p.a.	Running costs / TER p.a.	plus performance-related fee p.a.	Minimum Investment Amount
FD	EUR	DE000DWS1VB9	DWS 1VB	Distribution	0.00%	193.98	193.98	0.900%	0.90% (1)	--	2,000,000
LC	EUR	DE000DWS1U90	DWS 1U9	Accumulation	5.00%	238.12	226.78	1.450%	1.45% (1)	--	--
LD	EUR	DE0009848119	984 811	Distribution	5.00%	180.41	171.81	1.450%	1.45% (1)	--	--
LDQ	EUR	DE000DWS18N0	DWS 18N	Distribution	5.00%	181.01	172.38	1.450%	1.45% (1)	--	--
RC	EUR	DE000DWS2PA1	DWS 2PA	Accumulation	5.00%	225.92	215.16	1.400%	1.40% (1)	--	500,000,000
TFC	EUR	DE000DWS18Q3	DWS 18Q	Accumulation	0.00%	237.03	237.03	0.800%	0.80% (1)	--	--
TFD	EUR	DE000DWS2SL2	DWS 2SL	Distribution	0.00%	154.73	154.73	0.800%	0.80% (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 30/09/2025. They are subject to change from year to year.

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## Note

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.

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# Fund Management's Comment: DWS Top Dividende

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

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### Performance Review

Equity markets continued to post gains in February, although there were pronounced regional and sectoral differences. While U.S. markets ended the month in negative territory, most other regions recorded positive performance. Market breadth improved. So-called value stocks outperformed growth stocks, and shares of smaller capitalization companies performed better than those of large capitalization firms. Concerns about potential disruption of business models by artificial intelligence once again put significant pressure on the share prices of many software companies. In other sectors as well, potential "AI losers" were identified, weighing heavily on the stock prices of the affected companies. By contrast, shares of memory chip manufacturers remained in strong demand. Geopolitical developments continued to be in focus. Following Venezuela in January, attention shifted in February to the situation surrounding Iran. The decision by the U.S. Supreme Court to declare the Trump administration's trade tariffs unconstitutional also attracted considerable attention. Geopolitical uncertainty and resulting heightened market volatility once again led to a surge in Gold prices, the precious metal advanced +7.9% in February. Oil prices also rose during the month, the WTI closed 2.8% higher.

In February, the strongest sectors were Materials and Utilities, while Information Technology and Consumer Discretionary underperformed. Our defensive strategy DWS Top Dividende significantly outperformed the broad equity market (MSCI World-Index: no official benchmark, for comparison purpose only). During February, the DWS Top Dividende was up +7.50%.

### Performance Attribution

Top 5 single stock contributions came from Agnico Eagle, Samsung Electronics, TSMC, Deutsche Telekom, and Johnson & Johnson.

Agnico Eagle: The stock performance followed a strong rally in the gold price.

Samsung Electronics: The company benefitted from the ongoing rally in memory chip producers as they represent a significant bottleneck for the rapid buildout of datacenters.

Deutsche Telekom: The stock rallied amid a move into more defensive sectors and recent laggards. Further, optimism came from an ongoing consolidation of the industry in Europe.

Bottom 5: On a single stock level ADP, Infosys, Stellantis, Bank of America, and Medtronic contributed most negatively.

ADP: ADP underperformed despite earnings beats because investors focused on a cooling hiring environment, softer PEO growth and execution risk around AI investments.

Infosys: the stock lagged in February as AI-driven disruption fears triggered a sector-wide capitulation in IT stocks, with multiple reports pointing to panic selling rather than company-specific deterioration. External coverage confirmed this narrative, highlighting concerns that AI shortens project cycles and compresses long-term demand for traditional IT services.

Medtronic: the company posted quarterly results above expectations but its forward guidance underwhelmed investors resulting in the stock underperforming during February.

On a sector level, Materials and IT contributed positively to the overall performance of the fund, while Industrials contributed negatively.

### Current Positioning

The portfolio management team reduced the weight of Financials by trimming the position of a Japanese insurance company. It further exited remaining positions in three companies across the IT, Materials, and Consumer Discretionary sectors. Conversely, the portfolio management team increased their exposure to Consumer Discretionary and Utility companies. Currently, companies in the Financials and Health Care sector have the highest weighting in the fund of roughly 15 and 12 percent, respectively, followed by equities from the sectors Materials and Energy. The fund has the lowest weightings in the sectors Consumer Discretionary and Communication Services. There were hardly any changes on the country level in the past months: US equities still represent the largest stake with about 30 percent, followed by a high proportion in Canada and United Kingdom. The number of stocks currently stands at around 62. The investment level is currently around 82 percent.

### Outlook

After several years of subdued corporate investment in the U.S., capital expenditures – particularly in AI and reshoring – as well as manufacturing activity are expected to pick up, supporting an improvement in GDP growth. Consumers are also likely to benefit from tax incentives. In Europe, fiscal support – especially in Germany – is expected to be a key theme for markets in 2026.

From a monetary policy perspective, we anticipate continued easing in the U.S., with further interest rate cuts likely. In contrast, European central bank policy is expected to remain unchanged in the coming months. A key risk for investors to monitor is inflation, which could arise from stronger economic activity combined with accommodative monetary policy.

For equity markets, we expect mid-single-digit earnings growth in Europe and low-double-digit growth in the U.S. AI is likely to remain a dominant theme, presenting both opportunities and risks. However, we expect earnings growth to broaden beyond AI-driven sectors, with traditional industries also contributing.

Globally, valuations across markets and sectors remain elevated relative to historical levels, implying lower medium-term returns. Nevertheless, some areas – such as defensive sectors – appear relatively attractive given the current AI-driven market dynamics and offer appealing risk-return profiles. We remain focused on valuation discipline in stock selection, prioritizing companies with strong balance sheets, robust free cash flow, and sustainable dividends.

Finally, the fund offers a broader, more diversified, and less concentrated profile compared to many global equity indices.

### Opportunities

In accordance with the investment policy.

### Risks

- 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.
- The fund may also invest in assets that are not denominated in euro. This can result in your investment falling in value if the euro exchange rate against these currencies increases.
- 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](http://www.dws.com).

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## Morningstar Overall Rating™

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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.

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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.