

DWS California Tax-Free Income Fund



Class A: KCTAX

Semi-Annual Shareholder Report—February 28, 2025

This semi-annual shareholder report contains important information about DWS California Tax-Free Income Fund (the "Fund") for the period September 1, 2024 to February 28, 2025. You can find additional information about the Fund on the Fund's website at dws.com/mutualreports. You can also request this information by contacting us at (800) 728-3337.

What were the Fund costs for the last six months?

(Based on a hypothetical \$10,000 investment)

| | Costs of a \$10,000 investment | Costs paid as a percentage of a \$10,000 investment |
|---------|--------------------------------|---|
| Class A | \$39 | 0.79% ^(a) |

^(a) Annualized.

Gross expense ratio as of the latest prospectus: 0.89%. See prospectus for any contractual or voluntary waivers; without a waiver, costs would have been higher.

Key Fund Statistics

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|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Net Assets (\$) | 327,722,215 |
| Number of Portfolio Holdings | 182 |
| Portfolio Turnover Rate (%) | 21 |
| Total Net Advisory Fees Paid (\$) | 584,717 |
| Modified Duration to Worst | 6.5 years |

Modified duration to worst is the measure of sensitivity of the prices of bonds held by the Fund to a change in interest rates, computed using each bond's nearest call or maturity date.

What did the Fund invest in?

Asset Allocation

| Asset Type | % of Net Assets |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Revenue Bonds | 75% |
| General Obligation Bonds | 11% |
| Lease Obligations | 7% |
| Variable Rate Demand Notes | 5% |
| Excrow to Maturity/Prerefunded Bonds | 1% |
| Other | 1% |
| Other Assets and Liabilities, Net | 0% |
| Total | 100% |

Credit Quality

| Credit Rating | % of Net Assets |
|---------------|-----------------|
| AAA | 5% |
| AA | 40% |
| A | 22% |
| BBB | 11% |
| BB | 2% |
| Not Rated | 16% |

Holdings-based data is subject to change.

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Additional Information

If you wish to view additional information about the Fund, including, but not limited to, its prospectus, quarterly holdings, Board fee evaluation reports, and financial statements and other information, please visit dws.com/mutualreports. For information about the Fund's proxy voting policies and procedures and how the Fund voted proxies related to its portfolio securities, please visit dws.com/en-us/resources/proxy-voting. This additional information is also available free of charge by contacting us at (800) 728-3337.

Householding

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This report must be preceded or accompanied by a prospectus. We advise you to consider the Fund's objectives, risks, charges, and expenses carefully before investing. The prospectus contains this and other important information about the Fund, which can be requested by calling (800) 728-3337, contacting your financial representative, or visit dws.com/mutualreports to view or download a prospectus. Please read the prospectus carefully before you invest.

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