

June 30, 2025

# **Annual Financial Statements and Other Information**

**DWS Enhanced Commodity Strategy Fund**



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# Consolidated Investment Portfolio

as of June 30, 2025

	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
<b>Corporate Bonds 28.1%</b>		
<b>Communication Services 0.8%</b>		
Charter Communications Operating LLC, 4.908%, 7/23/2025	3,000,000	2,999,780
Sirius XM Radio LLC, 144A, 3.125%, 9/1/2026	1,080,000	1,059,625
Sprint LLC, 7.625%, 3/1/2026	1,670,000	1,686,021
Tencent Music Entertainment Group, 1.375%, 9/3/2025	1,000,000	994,793
		<b>6,740,219</b>
<b>Consumer Discretionary 4.2%</b>		
AutoZone, Inc., 4.5%, 2/1/2028	2,610,000	2,630,028
BorgWarner, Inc., 4.95%, 8/15/2029	1,680,000	1,704,374
Daimler Truck Finance North America LLC, 144A, 2.0%, 12/14/2026	1,600,000	1,546,350
Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC: 5.8%, 3/5/2027	1,450,000	1,461,440
5.85%, 5/17/2027	3,500,000	3,526,636
6.798%, 11/7/2028	1,270,000	1,315,775
General Motors Financial Co., Inc., 4.9%, 10/6/2029	2,174,000	2,170,266
Hyundai Capital America: 144A, 5.275%, 6/24/2027	4,000,000	4,050,369
144A, 5.95%, 9/21/2026	4,000,000	4,062,549
KFC Holding Co., 144A, 4.75%, 6/1/2027	540,000	538,476
Las Vegas Sands Corp., 5.9%, 6/1/2027	1,500,000	1,532,499
Marriott International, Inc.: 4.875%, 5/15/2029	1,960,000	1,987,528
5.45%, 9/15/2026	560,000	566,868
Nissan Motor Acceptance Co. LLC, 144A, 6.95%, 9/15/2026	740,000	747,269
O'Reilly Automotive, Inc., 5.75%, 11/20/2026	2,420,000	2,462,879
Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd., 144A, 5.5%, 8/31/2026	2,450,000	2,458,671
Volkswagen Group of America Finance LLC, 144A, 6.0%, 11/16/2026	4,000,000	4,063,778
		<b>36,825,755</b>
<b>Consumer Staples 0.3%</b>		
Campbell's Co., 5.2%, 3/19/2027	1,060,000	1,074,854

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Coty, Inc., 144A, 5.0%, 4/15/2026	462,000	461,387
JBS USA Holding Lux SARL, 2.5%, 1/15/2027	960,000	933,809
		<b>2,470,050</b>

## **Energy 2.0%**

Columbia Pipelines Holding Co. LLC, 144A, 6.055%, 8/15/2026	770,000	779,386
Diamondback Energy, Inc., 5.2%, 4/18/2027	1,670,000	1,692,811
Helmerich & Payne, Inc.:		
144A, 4.65%, 12/1/2027	1,000,000	990,767
144A, 4.85%, 12/1/2029	2,500,000	2,383,853
Occidental Petroleum Corp., 5.2%, 8/1/2029	3,500,000	3,511,256
ONEOK, Inc., 5.0%, 3/1/2026	3,000,000	3,002,336
South Bow USA Infrastructure Holdings LLC, 144A, 4.911%, 9/1/2027	1,373,000	1,381,810
Whistler Pipeline LLC, 144A, 5.7%, 9/30/2031	4,000,000	4,077,746
		<b>17,819,965</b>

## **Financials 10.7%**

AerCap Ireland Capital DAC:		
2.45%, 10/29/2026	2,110,000	2,055,723
4.625%, 9/10/2029	1,121,000	1,121,249
Aircastle Ltd.:		
144A, 5.25%, 8/11/2025	2,000,000	1,999,840
144A, 6.5%, 7/18/2028	1,700,000	1,774,831
Ares Capital Corp., 7.0%, 1/15/2027	3,040,000	3,136,635
Athene Global Funding, 144A, 5.684%, 2/23/2026	3,500,000	3,524,168
Avolon Holdings Funding Ltd., 144A, 6.375%, 5/4/2028	2,670,000	2,784,147
Banco Santander SA, 5.588%, 8/8/2028	4,000,000	4,132,141
Bank of Nova Scotia, 5.35%, 12/7/2026	5,000,000	5,070,985
Barclays PLC, 4.837%, 9/10/2028	1,018,000	1,025,857
BBVA Mexico SA Institucion De Banca Multiple Grupo Financiero BBVA Mexico, 144A, 1.875%, 9/18/2025	2,139,000	2,123,908
BGC Group, Inc., 6.6%, 6/10/2029	2,100,000	2,176,470
Blackstone Private Credit Fund, 7.3%, 11/27/2028	1,500,000	1,599,742
Capital One Financial Corp.:		
4.985%, 7/24/2026	3,230,000	3,229,855
7.149%, 10/29/2027	1,940,000	2,004,467
Credit Agricole SA, 144A, 4.631%, 9/11/2028	2,500,000	2,502,944
Essent Group Ltd., 6.25%, 7/1/2029	6,000,000	6,214,085
HPS Corporate Lending Fund, 5.45%, 1/14/2028	1,429,000	1,433,028
HSBC Holdings PLC, 7.336%, 11/3/2026	3,000,000	3,028,015
Intesa Sanpaolo SpA, 144A, 7.0%, 11/21/2025	890,000	897,017

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Jackson National Life Global Funding, 144A, 5.55%, 7/2/2027	1,425,000	1,454,114
Jefferies Financial Group, Inc., 5.875%, 7/21/2028	2,060,000	2,136,416
KeyBank NA, 3.4%, 5/20/2026	4,000,000	3,955,230
Lloyds Banking Group PLC:		
4.716%, 8/11/2026	1,440,000	1,439,400
5.985%, 8/7/2027	1,140,000	1,157,281
Macquarie Bank Ltd., 144A, 5.391%, 12/7/2026	1,950,000	1,983,272
Macquarie Group Ltd., 144A, 1 day USD SOFR + 0.92%, 5.336% (a), 9/23/2027	6,000,000	6,009,656
NatWest Group PLC, 5.583%, 3/1/2028	1,280,000	1,303,006
NatWest Markets PLC, 144A, 5.416%, 5/17/2027 (b)	2,090,000	2,134,235
Nomura Holdings, Inc., 5.099%, 7/3/2025	3,000,000	3,000,054
Santander Holdings USA, Inc., 6.124%, 5/31/2027	611,000	617,871
Santander U.K. Group Holdings PLC, 1.673%, 6/14/2027	2,227,000	2,163,204
Societe Generale SA, 144A, 5.519%, 1/19/2028	3,000,000	3,037,142
Standard Chartered PLC, 144A, 6.17%, 1/9/2027 (b)	2,120,000	2,137,199
Starwood Property Trust, Inc., 144A, (REIT), 3.625%, 7/15/2026	1,000,000	983,007
Swedbank AB, 144A, 6.136%, 9/12/2026	3,000,000	3,063,748
Synchrony Bank, 5.4%, 8/22/2025	1,000,000	999,797
Truist Financial Corp., 6.047%, 6/8/2027	5,000,000	5,067,174

**94,476,913**

### **Health Care 1.6%**

Bayer U.S. Finance II LLC, 144A, 4.375%, 12/15/2028	1,500,000	1,486,032
Bristol-Myers Squibb Co., 4.9%, 2/22/2027	1,200,000	1,215,303
CVS Health Corp., 3.875%, 7/20/2025	2,858,000	2,855,816
HCA, Inc., 4.5%, 2/15/2027	2,000,000	2,000,282
Icon Investments Six DAC, 5.809%, 5/8/2027	4,170,000	4,257,161
Quest Diagnostics, Inc., 4.6%, 12/15/2027	1,132,000	1,142,248
Teva Pharmaceutical Finance Netherlands III BV, 4.75%, 5/9/2027	730,000	728,722

**13,685,564**

### **Industrials 1.7%**

AGCO Corp., 5.45%, 3/21/2027	1,270,000	1,285,665
Clean Harbors, Inc., 144A, 4.875%, 7/15/2027	1,205,000	1,199,089
Delta Air Lines, Inc., 144A, 4.5%, 10/20/2025	86,553	86,343
HEICO Corp., 5.25%, 8/1/2028	2,970,000	3,046,904
Penske Truck Leasing Co. LP:		
144A, 1.2%, 11/15/2025	3,155,000	3,113,776
144A, 1.7%, 6/15/2026	3,000,000	2,918,212

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144A, 4.4%, 7/1/2027	1,960,000	1,957,163
Ryder System, Inc., 4.95%, 9/1/2029	1,318,000	1,340,575
		<b>14,947,727</b>

### **Information Technology 2.6%**

Broadcom, Inc.:		
4.15%, 2/15/2028	976,000	973,160
5.05%, 7/12/2027	1,320,000	1,338,672
Concentrix Corp.:		
6.6%, 8/2/2028 (b)	4,000,000	4,196,703
6.65%, 8/2/2026	2,220,000	2,260,066
DXC Technology Co., 1.8%, 9/15/2026	4,520,000	4,368,015
Global Payments, Inc., 4.95%, 8/15/2027	920,000	930,791
Hewlett Packard Enterprise Co., 4.45%, 9/25/2026	1,377,000	1,379,161
Kyndryl Holdings, Inc., 2.05%, 10/15/2026	3,500,000	3,391,890
Microchip Technology, Inc.:		
4.25%, 9/1/2025	170,000	169,803
5.05%, 3/15/2029	1,330,000	1,351,201
NXP BV, 4.4%, 6/1/2027	1,370,000	1,372,342
Workday, Inc., 3.5%, 4/1/2027	1,430,000	1,411,494
		<b>23,143,298</b>

### **Materials 1.7%**

Albemarle Corp., 4.65%, 6/1/2027 (b)	2,220,000	2,212,262
Chemours Co., 5.375%, 5/15/2027	1,250,000	1,238,820
Glencore Funding LLC, 144A, 1.625%, 9/1/2025	1,385,000	1,377,815
Huntsman International LLC, 4.5%, 5/1/2029	2,000,000	1,896,679
LYB International Finance III LLC, 1.25%, 10/1/2025	1,962,000	1,944,833
Mosaic Co., 5.375%, 11/15/2028	2,480,000	2,545,823
WRKCo, Inc., 3.9%, 6/1/2028	4,000,000	3,947,618
		<b>15,163,850</b>

### **Real Estate 1.1%**

Crown Castle, Inc., (REIT), 4.9%, 9/1/2029	1,188,000	1,198,689
Equinix, Inc.:		
(REIT), 1.0%, 9/15/2025	3,600,000	3,571,481
(REIT), 1.25%, 7/15/2025	690,000	689,109
Realty Income Corp., (REIT), 5.05%, 1/13/2026	2,580,000	2,579,988
RLJ Lodging Trust LP, 144A, (REIT), 3.75%, 7/1/2026	240,000	237,581
VICI Properties LP, (REIT), 4.75%, 4/1/2028	1,000,000	1,008,180
		<b>9,285,028</b>

### **Utilities 1.4%**

American Electric Power Co., Inc., 5.699%, 8/15/2025	4,280,000	4,283,381
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	<b>Principal Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Value (\$)</b>
DTE Energy Co., 4.95%, 7/1/2027	1,219,000	1,232,956
Enel Finance International NV, 144A, 5.125%, 6/26/2029	5,000,000	5,093,077
Eversource Energy, 5.0%, 1/1/2027	1,450,000	1,462,767
		<b>12,072,181</b>
<b>Total Corporate Bonds</b> (Cost \$243,817,610)		<b>246,630,550</b>

## **Asset-Backed 9.9%**

### **Automobile Receivables 2.0%**

Carvana Auto Receivables Trust:

"A3", Series 2022-P2, 4.13%, 4/12/2027	140,613	140,557
"F", Series 2021-N1, 144A, 4.55%, 1/10/2028	819,496	813,832
"B", Series 2022-P3, 5.04%, 10/10/2028	1,350,000	1,359,209

Chase Auto Owner Trust, "C", Series 2022-AA, 144A,  
4.64%, 7/25/2028

1,040,000	1,042,284
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CPS Auto Receivables Trust:

"E", Series 2021-D, 144A, 4.06%, 12/15/2028	1,000,000	987,475
"C", Series 2022-B, 144A, 4.33%, 8/15/2028	987,310	986,598

Exeter Automobile Receivables Trust:

"E", Series 2021-4A, 144A, 4.02%, 1/17/2028	1,250,000	1,233,530
"B", Series 2025-3A, 4.86%, 2/15/2030	375,000	378,280
"C", Series 2025-3A, 5.09%, 10/15/2031	472,000	476,901

Onemain Direct Auto Receivables Trust, "A1",  
Series 2022-1A, 144A, 4.65%, 3/14/2029

526,026	525,381
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PenFed Auto Receivables Owner Trust:

"B", Series 2022-A, 144A, 4.6%, 12/15/2028	1,350,000	1,348,598
"C", Series 2022-A, 144A, 4.83%, 12/15/2028	1,300,000	1,299,900

Santander Drive Auto Receivables Trust, "C",  
Series 2022-5, 4.74%, 10/16/2028

643,801	643,611
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Securitized Term Auto Receivables Trust, "B",  
Series 2025-B, 144A, 4.925%, 12/29/2032

4,000,000	4,009,251
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Westlake Automobile Receivables Trust, "C",  
Series 2022-3A, 144A, 6.44%, 12/15/2027

2,494,932	2,508,192
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**17,753,599**

### **Credit Card Receivables 0.6%**

Continental Finance Credit Card ABS Master Trust,  
"A", Series 2022-A, 144A, 6.19%, 10/15/2030

2,000,000	2,006,239
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Mission Lane Credit Card Master Trust:

"B", Series 2025-B, 144A, 5.21%, 9/15/2031 (c)	1,750,000	1,749,919
"C", Series 2025-B, 144A, 5.41%, 9/15/2031 (c)	1,000,000	1,000,070

**4,756,228**

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	Principal Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
<b>Miscellaneous 7.3%</b>		
AB BSL CLO 4 Ltd., "A1R", Series 2023-4A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.3%, 5.529% (a), 4/20/2038	1,000,000	1,002,245
AGL CLO 42 Ltd., "A1", Series 2025-42A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.3%, 5.569% (a), 7/22/2038	1,600,000	1,598,458
ARES LXXVII CLO Ltd., "A2", Series 2025-77A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.6%, 5.879% (a), 7/15/2038 (c)	1,500,000	1,500,000
Balboa Bay Loan Funding Ltd., "A1", Series 2024-1A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.51%, 5.779% (a), 7/20/2037	750,000	752,126
Ballyrock CLO Ltd., "A1AR", Series 2020-14A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.38%, 5.649% (a), 7/20/2037	2,000,000	2,005,770
Barings CLO Ltd., "BR", Series 2015-IA, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.662%, 5.931% (a), 1/20/2031	2,000,000	2,002,820
BlueMountain CLO Ltd., "BR", Series 2015-4A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.912%, 6.181% (a), 4/20/2030	2,000,000	2,001,690
BlueMountain Fuji U.S. CLO II Ltd., "A1B", Series 2017-2A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.612%, 5.881% (a), 10/20/2030	4,000,000	4,001,216
CF Hippolyta Issuer LLC: "B1", Series 2021-1A, 144A, 1.98%, 3/15/2061	2,751,947	2,584,833
"B1", Series 2020-1, 144A, 2.28%, 7/15/2060	2,497,479	2,471,129
Crossroads Asset Trust, "A2", Series 2025-A, 144A, 4.91%, 2/20/2032	1,240,000	1,242,954
DB Master Finance LLC, "A2II", Series 2019-1A, 144A, 4.021%, 5/20/2049	2,356,250	2,335,714
Domino's Pizza Master Issuer LLC: "A2I", Series 2018-1A, 144A, 4.116%, 7/25/2048	3,790,000	3,777,978
"A2II", Series 2015-1A, 144A, 4.474%, 10/25/2045	1,855,000	1,851,050
Dryden 104 CLO Ltd., "A2R", Series 2022-104A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.6%, 5.922% (a), 8/20/2034	2,775,000	2,776,318
Elara HGV Timeshare Issuer LLC, "C", Series 2023-A, 144A, 7.3%, 2/25/2038	283,665	292,578
Elmwood CLO 43 Ltd., "B", Series 2025-6A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.7%, 5.979% (a), 7/20/2038 (c)	1,009,000	1,009,000
Empower CLO Ltd., "AR", Series 2023-1A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.6%, 5.908% (a), 4/25/2038	3,000,000	3,017,145
Hilton Grand Vacations Trust, "A", Series 2019-AA, 144A, 2.34%, 7/25/2033	123,297	121,167

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Mosaic Solar Loan Trust, "A", Series 2020-1A, 144A, 2.1%, 4/20/2046	867,765	770,533
MVW LLC:		
"B", Series 2021-1WA, 144A, 1.44%, 1/22/2041	101,409	96,735
"A", Series 2020-1A, 144A, 1.74%, 10/20/2037	77,924	75,537
"B", Series 2019-2A, 144A, 2.44%, 10/20/2038	212,173	208,737
"B", Series 2020-1A, 144A, 2.73%, 10/20/2037	77,924	76,059
Neuberger Berman Loan Advisers CLO 45 Ltd., "AR", Series 2021-45A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.06%, 5.302% (a), 10/14/2036	2,000,000	2,001,962
New Economy Assets Phase 1 Sponsor LLC, "B1", Series 2021-1, 144A, 2.41%, 10/20/2061	1,125,000	1,031,447
NRZ Excess Spread-Collateralized Notes:		
"A", Series 2021-GNT1, 144A, 3.474%, 11/25/2026	776,399	746,344
"A", Series 2020-PLS1, 144A, 3.844%, 12/25/2025	231,420	229,094
Oaktree CLO Ltd., "A1AR", Series 2022-1A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.37%, 5.649% (a), 7/15/2038 (c)	1,333,000	1,333,000
Point Broadband Funding LLC, "A2", Series 2025-1A, 144A, 5.336%, 7/20/2055	1,000,000	1,000,000
Regatta 34 Funding Ltd., "A2", Series 2025-3A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.75%, 6.044% (a), 7/20/2038	1,500,000	1,506,629
Sixth Street CLO 29 Ltd., "B", Series 2025-29A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.65%, 5.929% (a), 7/17/2038 (c)	714,000	714,000
Texas Debt Capital CLO Ltd.:		
"A1R", Series 2023-1A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.3%, 5.575% (a), 7/20/2038	1,570,000	1,570,000
"A2R", Series 2023-1A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.55%, 5.825% (a), 7/20/2038	3,000,000	3,000,000
TICP CLO XI Ltd., "AR", Series 2018-11A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.53%, 5.812% (a), 4/25/2037	1,200,000	1,203,866
Venture XXX CLO Ltd., "A2", Series 2017-30A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.612%, 5.868% (a), 1/15/2031	10,000,000	10,002,970
Voya CLO Ltd., "A1RR", Series 2014-2A, 144A, 3 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.282%, 5.561% (a), 4/17/2030	12,015	12,015
Zayo Issuer LLC, "A2", Series 2025-2A, 144A, 5.953%, 6/20/2055	2,500,000	2,578,917
		<b>64,502,036</b>
<b>Total Asset-Backed</b> (Cost \$87,051,802)		<b>87,011,863</b>

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<b>Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities 3.2%</b>		
BPR Trust:		
“B”, Series 2021-TY, 144A, 1 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.264%, 5.576% (a), 9/15/2038	506,000	504,115
“C”, Series 2021-TY, 144A, 1 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.814%, 6.126% (a), 9/15/2038	340,000	337,889
BX Commercial Mortgage Trust, “B”, Series 2019-IMC, 144A, 1 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.346%, 5.658% (a), 4/15/2034	3,000,000	2,960,625
BX Trust, “D”, Series 2021-ARIA, 144A, 1 mo. USD Term SOFR + 2.01%, 6.322% (a), 10/15/2036	1,725,000	1,721,766
BXP Trust, “A”, Series 2017-CQHP, 144A, 1 mo. USD Term SOFR + 0.897%, 5.209% (a), 11/15/2034	502,736	482,959
COMM Mortgage Trust, “B”, Series 2013-CR6, 144A, 3.397%, 3/10/2046	1,497,412	1,431,936
Credit Suisse Mortgage Trust, “B”, Series 2020-FACT, 144A, 1 mo. USD Term SOFR + 2.614%, 6.926% (a), 10/15/2037	2,756,000	2,684,833
CSAIL Commercial Mortgage Trust, “AS”, Series 2016-C6, 3.346%, 1/15/2049	1,000,000	968,942
FHLMC Multifamily Structured Pass-Through Certificates, “X1”, Series K058, Interest Only, 1.025% (a), 8/25/2026	21,246,786	167,165
ILPT Commercial Mortgage Trust, “C”, Series 2025-LPF2, 144A, 5.829%, 7/15/2042	1,000,000	1,012,370
JPMCC Commercial Mortgage Securities Trust, “A3”, Series 2019-COR5, 3.123%, 6/13/2052	4,000,000	3,824,665
JPMDB Commercial Mortgage Securities Trust, “AS”, Series 2016-C4, 3.385%, 12/15/2049	1,000,000	951,179
JPMorgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Trust, “A”, Series 2018-PHH, 144A, 1 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.257%, 5.569% (a), 6/15/2035	4,380,267	3,769,689
One New York Plaza Trust, “AJ”, Series 2020-1NYP, 144A, 1 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.364%, 5.676% (a), 1/15/2036	2,378,000	2,293,824
ROCK Trust, “A”, Series 2024-CNTR, 144A, 5.388%, 11/13/2041	2,600,000	2,659,762
Starwood Mortgage Trust, “B”, Series 2021-LIH, 144A, 1 mo. USD Term SOFR + 1.77%, 6.082% (a), 11/15/2036	500,000	497,812
UBS Commercial Mortgage Trust, “XA”, Series 2017-C1, Interest Only, 1.621% (a), 6/15/2050	23,878,017	466,393
Wells Fargo Commercial Mortgage Trust:		
“A2”, Series 2016-C34, 2.603%, 6/15/2049	43,631	43,547

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	<b>Principal Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Value (\$)</b>
"ASB", Series 2015-C31, 3.487%, 11/15/2048	2	2
WHARF Commercial Mortgage Trust, "B", Series 2025-DC, 144A, 5.544%, 7/15/2040	1,700,000	1,729,158
<b>Total Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities</b> (Cost \$28,718,782)		<b>28,508,631</b>

## **Collateralized Mortgage Obligations 1.8%**

Barclays Mortgage Loan Trust, "A2", Series 2021-NQM1, 144A, 1.984%, 9/25/2051	945,676	849,791
COLT Funding LLC, "A2", Series 2021-3R, 144A, 1.257%, 12/25/2064	163,398	150,368
COLT Mortgage Loan Trust:		
"A1", Series 2021-2R, 144A, 0.798%, 7/27/2054	162,468	149,126
"A2", Series 2021-1, 144A, 1.167%, 6/25/2066	458,060	395,133
"A3", Series 2021-2, 144A, 1.335%, 8/25/2066	1,554,351	1,320,878
"A2", Series 2021-HX1, 144A, 1.348%, 10/25/2066	1,108,274	956,860
Connecticut Avenue Securities Trust:		
"1M2", Series 2021-R03, 144A, 30 day USD SOFR Average + 1.65%, 5.955% (a), 12/25/2041	500,000	502,970
"1M2", Series 2022-R04, 144A, 30 day USD SOFR Average + 3.1%, 7.405% (a), 3/25/2042	250,000	257,516
Ellington Financial Mortgage Trust, "A2", Series 2021-3, 144A, 1.396%, 9/25/2066	1,980,836	1,646,407
Freddie Mac Structured Agency Credit Risk Debt Notes, "M2", Series 2021-DNA7, 144A, 30 day USD SOFR Average + 1.8%, 6.105% (a), 11/25/2041	1,200,000	1,208,571
GCAT Trust, "A2", Series 2021-NQM2, 144A, 1.242%, 5/25/2066	561,388	481,913
GS Mortgage-Backed Securities Trust, "A2", Series 2020-NQM1, 144A, 1.791%, 9/27/2060	67,832	63,830
Imperial Fund Mortgage Trust:		
"A2", Series 2021-NQM1, 144A, 1.205%, 6/25/2056	952,781	830,127
"A2", Series 2021-NQM2, 144A, 1.362%, 9/25/2056	1,084,868	924,170
JPMorgan Chase Bank NA, "M1", Series 2020-CL1, 144A, 1 mo. USD Term SOFR + 2.364%, 6.684% (a), 10/25/2057	1,119,198	1,154,411
JPMorgan Mortgage Trust, "A5", Series 2020-LTV2, 144A, 3.0%, 11/25/2050	685,751	622,129
MFA Trust:		
"A3", Series 2021-INV1, 144A, 1.262%, 1/25/2056	88,241	84,923
"A2", Series 2021-NQM2, 144A, 1.317%, 11/25/2064	391,081	345,390

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	<b>Principal Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Value (\$)</b>
"A3", Series 2021-NQM2, 144A, 1.472%, 11/25/2064	316,848	280,421
Starwood Mortgage Residential Trust, "A3", Series 2020-INV1, 144A, 1.593%, 11/25/2055	198,596	188,289
Towd Point Mortgage Trust, "M1", Series 2022-SJ1, 144A, 4.5%, 3/25/2062	2,500,000	2,387,024
Verus Securitization Trust:		
"A2", Series 2021-R3, 144A, 1.277%, 4/25/2064	240,791	227,310
"A2", Series 2020-4, 144A, 2.912%, 5/25/2065	315,328	309,267
<b>Total Collateralized Mortgage Obligations</b> (Cost \$16,838,847)		<b>15,336,824</b>

## **Government & Agency Obligations 50.7%**

### **Other Government Related (d) 0.3%**

Central American Bank for Economic Integration, 144A, 5.0%, 2/9/2026	2,500,000	2,506,627
Vnesheconombank, 144A, 6.025%, 7/5/2022* (e)	1,500,000	0
		<b>2,506,627</b>

### **U.S. Government Sponsored Agencies 6.7%**

Federal Home Loan Banks, 1 day USD SOFR + 0.105%, 4.495% (a), 3/4/2027	59,000,000	<b>58,964,946</b>
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### **U.S. Treasury Obligations 43.7%**

#### U.S. Treasury Bills:

4.154% (f), 7/10/2025 (g)	30,000,000	29,968,562
4.175% (f), 7/10/2025 (h)	10,000,000	9,989,521

#### U.S. Treasury Floating Rate Notes:

3 mo. Treasury money market yield + 0.098%, 4.379% (a), 1/31/2027 (g)	152,000,000	151,929,068
3 mo. Treasury money market yield + 0.16%, 4.441% (a), 4/30/2027 (g)	25,000,000	25,000,513
3 mo. Treasury money market yield + 0.182%, 4.463% (a), 7/31/2026 (g)	35,000,000	35,035,195
3 mo. Treasury money market yield + 0.205%, 4.486% (a), 10/31/2026 (g)	38,000,000	38,045,752

#### U.S. Treasury Notes:

0.625%, 3/31/2027	25,000,000	23,681,641
4.125%, 9/30/2027	25,000,000	25,227,539
4.375%, 7/15/2027	20,000,000	20,249,219
4.625%, 11/15/2026	25,000,000	25,242,187
		<b>384,369,197</b>

<b>Total Government &amp; Agency Obligations</b> (Cost \$446,823,450)		<b>445,840,770</b>
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	<b>Contracts/ Notional Amount</b>	<b>Value (\$)</b>
<b>Put Options Purchased 0.2%</b>		
<b>Options on Exchange-Traded Futures Contracts</b>		
Brent Crude Oil, Expiration Date 10/28/2025, Strike Price \$58 (Cost \$2,065,000)	1,000 1,000,000	<b>1,970,000</b>
<b>Call Options Purchased 0.0%</b>		
<b>Options on Exchange-Traded Futures Contracts</b>		
Corn, Expiration Date 11/21/2025, Strike Price \$580 (Cost \$410,564)	680 3,400,000	<b>46,750</b>
	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Value (\$)</b>
<b>Securities Lending Collateral 0.8%</b>		
DWS Government & Agency Securities Portfolio "DWS Government Cash Institutional Shares", 4.25% (i) (j) (Cost \$7,067,351)	7,067,351	<b>7,067,351</b>
<b>Cash Equivalents 9.9%</b>		
DWS Central Cash Management Government Fund, 4.37% (i) (Cost \$87,199,149)	87,199,149	<b>87,199,149</b>
	<b>% of Net Assets</b>	<b>Value (\$)</b>
<b>Total Consolidated Investment Portfolio</b> (Cost \$919,992,555)	104.6	<b>919,611,888</b>
<b>Other Assets and Liabilities, Net</b>	(4.6)	<b>(40,629,646)</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	100.0	<b>878,982,242</b>

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A summary of the Fund's transactions with affiliated investments during the year ended June 30, 2025 are as follows:

Value (\$) at 6/30/2024	Pur- chases Cost (\$)	Sales Proceeds (\$)	Net Real- ized Gain/ (Loss) (\$)	Net Change in Unreal- ized Appreci- ation (Depreci- ation) (\$)	Income (\$)	Capital Gain Distri- butions (\$)	Number of Shares at 6/30/2025	Value (\$) at 6/30/2025
<b>Securities Lending Collateral 0.8%</b>								
DWS Government & Agency Securities Portfolio "DWS Government Cash Institutional Shares", 4.25% (i) (j)								
987,423	6,079,928 (k)	—	—	—	88,007	—	7,067,351	7,067,351
<b>Cash Equivalents 9.9%</b>								
DWS Central Cash Management Government Fund, 4.37% (i)								
149,695,350	1,209,328,340	1,271,824,541	—	—	8,383,236	—	87,199,149	87,199,149
DWS ESG Liquidity Fund "Capital Shares" (l)								
62,670,092	284,793	62,954,942	(60)	117	321,808	—	—	—
<b>213,352,865</b>	<b>1,215,693,061</b>	<b>1,334,779,483</b>	<b>(60)</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>8,793,051</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>94,266,500</b>	<b>94,266,500</b>

\* Non-income producing security.

- (a) Variable or floating rate security. These securities are shown at their current rate as of June 30, 2025. For securities based on a published reference rate and spread, the reference rate and spread are indicated within the description above. Certain variable rate securities are not based on a published reference rate and spread but adjust periodically based on current market conditions, prepayment of underlying positions and/or other variables. Securities with a floor or ceiling feature are disclosed at the inherent rate, where applicable.
- (b) All or a portion of these securities were on loan. In addition, "Other Assets and Liabilities, Net" may include pending sales that are also on loan. The value of securities loaned at June 30, 2025 amounted to \$6,785,317, which is 0.8% of net assets.
- (c) When-issued security.
- (d) Government-backed debt issued by financial companies or government sponsored enterprises.
- (e) Investment was valued using significant unobservable inputs.
- (f) Annualized yield at time of purchase; not a coupon rate.
- (g) At June 30, 2025, this security has been pledged, in whole or in part, as collateral for open commodity-linked rate swap contracts.
- (h) At June 30, 2025, this security has been pledged, in whole or in part, to cover initial margin requirements for open futures contracts.
- (i) Affiliated fund managed by DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc. The rate shown is the annualized seven-day yield at period end.
- (j) Represents cash collateral held in connection with securities lending. Income earned by the Fund is net of borrower rebates.

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(k) Represents the net increase (purchase cost) or decrease (sales proceeds) in the amount invested in cash collateral for the year ended June 30, 2025.

(l) Affiliated fund managed by DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc.

144A: Security exempt from registration under Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933. These securities may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers.

CLO: Collateralized Loan Obligation

COT: Commitment of Traders

Interest Only: Interest Only (IO) bonds represent the “interest only” portion of payments on a pool of underlying mortgages or mortgage-backed securities. IO securities are subject to prepayment risk of the pool of underlying mortgages.

LME: London Metal Exchange

REIT: Real Estate Investment Trust

SOFR: Secured Overnight Financing Rate

ULS: Ultra-Low Sulfur

WTI: West Texas Intermediate

Included in the portfolio are investments in mortgage or asset-backed securities which are interests in separate pools of mortgages or assets. Effective maturities of these investments may be shorter than stated maturities due to prepayments.

At June 30, 2025, open futures contracts purchased were as follows:

Futures	Currency	Expiration Date	Contracts	Notional Amount (\$)	Notional Value (\$)	Unrealized Appreciation/ (Depreciation) (\$)
Brent Crude Oil	USD	10/31/2025	110	7,599,981	7,140,100	(459,881)
Corn	USD	12/12/2025	50	1,172,386	1,063,750	(108,636)
Gold 100 oz.	USD	8/27/2025	41	13,657,060	13,561,570	(95,490)
LME Copper	USD	7/14/2025	65	15,716,037	16,160,999	444,962
LME Copper	USD	9/15/2025	65	15,532,843	16,059,355	526,512
Robusta Coffee 10-Tonne	USD	11/24/2025	120	5,536,101	4,279,200	(1,256,901)
Soybean Oil	USD	12/12/2025	280	8,847,525	8,862,000	14,475
<b>Total net unrealized depreciation</b>						<b>(934,959)</b>

At June 30, 2025, open futures contracts sold were as follows:

Futures	Currency	Expiration Date	Contracts	Notional Amount (\$)	Notional Value (\$)	Unrealized Appreciation/ (Depreciation) (\$)
Coffee	USD	12/18/2025	70	9,210,573	7,733,250	1,477,323
LME Copper	USD	7/14/2025	65	15,601,391	16,160,999	(559,608)
Silver	USD	9/26/2025	60	10,794,500	10,851,600	(57,100)
<b>Total net unrealized appreciation</b>						<b>860,615</b>

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At June 30, 2025, open written option contracts were as follows:

## Options on Exchange-Traded Futures Contracts

	Contracts	Expiration Date	Strike Price (\$)	Notional Amount (\$)	Premiums Received (\$)	Value (\$)	Unrealized Appreciation/ (Depreciation) (\$)
<b>Call Options</b>							
Corn	680	11/21/2025	700.0	3,400,000	133,437	(12,750)	120,687
<b>Total Call Options</b>					<b>133,437</b>	<b>(12,750)</b>	<b>120,687</b>
<b>Put Options</b>							
Corn	680	11/21/2025	400.0	3,400,000	286,436	(327,250)	(40,814)
Brent Crude Oil	1,000	10/28/2025	50.0	1,000,000	770,000 <sup>β</sup>	(730,000)	40,000
<b>Total Put Options</b>					<b>1,056,436</b>	<b>(1,057,250)</b>	<b>(814)</b>

<sup>β</sup> See Receivable for written options premiums within the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Each commodity linked swap is a commitment to receive the total return of the specified commodity linked index in exchange for a fixed financing rate. At June 30, 2025, open commodity-linked swap contracts were as follows:

Pay/Receive Return of the Reference Index	Expiration Date	Counterparty	Notional Amount (\$)	Fixed Fee Received/ (Paid) by the Fund	Frequency	Value (\$) <sup>†</sup>
<b>Long Positions</b>						
BACXCT6X Excess Return Index/BACXCT6X	7/15/2025	Merrill Lynch International Ltd.	54,380,000	(0.27%)	At Expiration	139,664
Barclays Commodity Strategy 1673/BXCS1673	7/15/2025	Barclays Bank PLC	7,830,000	(0.28%)	At Expiration	(114,296)
Barclays Commodity Strategy 1721/BXCS1721	7/15/2025	Barclays Bank PLC	46,670,000	(0.40%)	At Expiration	(56,109)
Barclays Commodity Strategy 1750/BXCS1750	7/15/2025	Barclays Bank PLC	22,430,000	—	At Expiration	(196,707)
Barclays EFS Custom Commodity Basket 08 Index/BEFSCB08	7/15/2025	Barclays Bank PLC	34,900,000	—	At Expiration	555,681
Bloomberg Commodity Index/BCOM	7/15/2025	Merrill Lynch International Ltd.	49,394,000	(0.11%)	At Expiration	(1,697,749)
Bloomberg Commodity Index/BCOM	7/15/2025	Societe Generale	82,324,000	(0.09%)	At Expiration	(2,828,792)
Bloomberg Commodity Index/BCOM	7/15/2025	Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	32,930,000	(0.13%)	At Expiration	(1,132,180)

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<b>Pay/Receive Return of the Reference Index</b>	<b>Expiration Date</b>	<b>Counterparty</b>	<b>Notional Amount (\$)</b>	<b>Fixed Fee Received/ (Paid) by the Fund</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Value (\$)<sup>†</sup></b>
Bloomberg Commodity Index/BCOM	7/15/2025	Macquarie Bank Ltd.	41,162,000	(0.12%)	At Expiration	(1,415,005)
Bloomberg Commodity Index/BCOM	7/15/2025	Barclays Bank PLC	49,394,000	(0.11%)	At Expiration	(1,697,748)
Bloomberg Commodity Index/BCOM	7/15/2025	Goldman Sachs & Co.	72,445,000	(0.09%)	At Expiration	(2,489,333)
Bloomberg Commodity Index/BCOM	7/15/2025	Morgan Stanley	41,162,000	(0.12%)	At Expiration	(1,415,005)
Bloomberg Commodity Index/BCOM	7/15/2025	Societe Generale	20,000,000	(0.09%)	At Expiration	(998,532)
Bloomberg Commodity Index/BCOM	7/15/2025	Citigroup, Inc.	25,000,000	(0.09%)	At Expiration	(1,248,164)
BNP Paribas Commodity C100 Index/BCKTC100	7/15/2025	BNP Paribas	193,204,000	(0.239%)	At Expiration	(1,599,690)
Citi Commodities Gold Call Ratio Index/CICXGCCR	7/15/2025	Citigroup, Inc.	35,780,000	—	At Expiration	302,263
Citi Custom C <sub>IVICS</sub> 7 Excess Return/CVICSER7	7/15/2025	Citigroup, Inc.	318,969,000	(0.20%)	At Expiration	(6,098,866)
Goldman Sachs Brent Vol Carry 05/GSVLBR05	7/15/2025	Goldman Sachs & Co.	5,740,000	(0.35%)	At Expiration	(173,174)
Goldman Sachs Commodity COT Strategy 1099/ABGS1099	7/15/2025	Goldman Sachs & Co.	39,070,000	(0.35%)	At Expiration	134,456
Goldman Sachs Commodity COT Strategy 1193/ABGS1193	7/15/2025	Goldman Sachs & Co.	26,344,000	(0.086%)	At Expiration	(810,965)
Goldman Sachs Gold Intraday Seasonality Dynamic Series 1 Excess Return Strategy/GSISIGID1	7/15/2025	Goldman Sachs & Co.	28,600,000	(0.35%)	At Expiration	(159,987)

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Pay/Receive Return of the Reference Index	Expiration Date	Counterparty	Notional Amount (\$)	Fixed Fee Received/ (Paid) by the Fund	Frequency	Value (\$) <sup>†</sup>
JPMorgan JMAB296E Basket/JMAB296E	7/15/2025	JPMorgan Chase Securities, Inc.	330,629,000	—	At Expiration	(4,017,919)

Index Description	Ticker	Notional Amount (\$)	Index Weight (%)	Value (\$)
J.P. Morgan Neo Pairs Multifactor Index	JMABNPM2	30,800,000	9.3	249,863
J.P. Morgan Commodity Curve Skewness Notional-Matched Index	JMABSKNS	77,700,000	23.4	16,185
J.P. Morgan Liquid Commodity Curve Value Long Only Index	JMABCCVL	62,750,000	19.0	(46,990)
J.P. Morgan Commodity Curve Advantage Index	JMABAC6V	27,660,000	8.4	(14,010)
Bloomberg Commodity Index	BCOM	65,859,000	19.9	(2,263,572)
Bloomberg Commodity Index 6 Month Forward	BCOMF6	26,344,000	8.0	(760,877)
Bloomberg Commodity Index 2-4-6 Forward Blend	BCOMF246	39,516,000	12.0	(1,198,518)
<b>JPMorgan JMAB296E Basket/JMAB296E</b>				<b>(4,017,919)</b>

Pay/Receive Return of the Reference Index	Expiration Date	Counterparty	Notional Amount (\$)	Fixed Fee Received/ (Paid) by the Fund	Frequency	Value (\$) <sup>†</sup>
JPMorgan JPOSRV1 Index/JPOSRV1	7/15/2025	JPMorgan Chase Securities, Inc.	52,900,000	(0.25%)	At Expiration	328,642
Macquarie Commodity Product 708E/MQCP708E	7/15/2025	Macquarie Bank Ltd.	20,000,000	(0.10%)	At Expiration	144,126
Macquarie Vol Product 2CL2C/VMAC2CL2C	7/15/2025	Macquarie Bank Ltd.	8,000,000	(0.10%)	At Expiration	281,063
Macquarie Vol Product 3GC1/VMAC3GC1	7/15/2025	Macquarie Bank Ltd.	7,780,000	(0.10%)	At Expiration	345,680
Merrill Lynch Backwardation Momentum Long Only Excess Return Index/MLCXAKLE	7/15/2025	Merrill Lynch International Ltd.	2,890,000	(0.35%)	At Expiration	(131,471)
Modified Strategy D177 on the Bloomberg Commodity Index/ENHG177P	7/15/2025	Goldman Sachs & Co.	32,930,000	(0.35%)	At Expiration	(1,038,403)
Morgan Stanley MSCBDF11 Index/MSCBDF11	7/15/2025	Morgan Stanley	3,000,000	(0.86%)	At Expiration	0

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Pay/Receive Return of the Reference Index	Expiration Date	Counterparty	Notional Amount (\$)	Fixed Fee Received/ (Paid) by the Fund	Frequency	Value (\$) <sup>†</sup>
Morgan Stanley MSCVBV20 Index	7/15/2025	Morgan Stanley	16,660,000	(0.45%)	At Expiration	205,906
RBC Enhanced Commodity Basket 01 Excess Return Index/RBCAEC01	7/15/2025	Royal Bank of Canada	57,627,000	(0.11%)	At Expiration	(1,804,215)
RBC Enhanced Commodity MSC4 Index/RBCAMSC4	7/15/2025	Royal Bank of Canada	12,520,000	(0.35%)	At Expiration	(175,551)
SG RBD Index/SGCORBD	7/15/2025	Societe Generale	33,500,000	(0.35%)	At Expiration	(36,470)
SGI Commodity Dynamic Alpha Index/SGICCODA	7/15/2025	Societe Generale	55,750,000	(0.25%)	At Expiration	131,928
SGI WTI Intraday Trend Reversal Index/SGITRWTI	7/15/2025	Societe Generale	31,370,000	(0.30%)	At Expiration	307,314
UBS Custom Commodity Index/UBSIB163	7/15/2025	UBS AG	25,834,500	(0.387%)	At Expiration	(607,149)

Index Description	Ticker	Notional Amount (\$)	Index Weight (%)	Value (\$)
Bloomberg Copper Subindex	BCOMHG	8,000,000	15.5	351,273
Bloomberg Commodity Index 2-4-6 Forward Blend	BCOMF246	24,697,000	47.8	(751,312)
Bloomberg Sugar Subindex	BCOMSB	6,848,000	13.3	(153,587)
Bloomberg Live Cattle Subindex	BCOMLC	7,959,000	15.4	52,698
Bloomberg Nickel Subindex	BCOMNI	(1,246,000)	2.4	(4,609)
Bloomberg ULS Diesel Subindex	BCOMHO	2,919,000	5.6	(101,612)
<b>UBS Custom Commodity Index/UBSIB163</b>				<b>(607,149)</b>

Pay/Receive Return of the Reference Index	Expiration Date	Counterparty	Notional Amount (\$)	Fixed Fee Received/ (Paid) by the Fund	Frequency	Value (\$) <sup>†</sup>
UBS Custom Commodity Index/UBSIB165	7/15/2025	UBS AG	14,000,000	(0.163%)	At Expiration	0

Index Description	Ticker	Notional Amount (\$)	Index Weight (%)	Value (\$)
Bloomberg Soybean Meal Subindex	BCOMSM	(1,272,300)	4.5	0
Bloomberg Soybean Oil Subindex	BCOMBO	1,484,300	5.3	0
Bloomberg Cotton Subindex	BCOMCT	(1,272,300)	4.5	0
Bloomberg Sugar Subindex	BCOMSB	636,100	2.3	0
Bloomberg Coffee Subindex	BCOMKC	(636,100)	2.3	0

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Index Description	Ticker	Notional Amount (\$)	Index Weight (%)	Value (\$)
Bloomberg Lean Hogs Subindex	BCOMLH	848,200	3.0	0
Bloomberg Live Cattle Subindex	BCOMLC	(848,200)	3.0	0
Bloomberg Brent Crude Subindex	BCOMCO	1,991,100	7.1	0
Bloomberg WTI Crude Oil Subindex	BCOMCL	2,488,900	8.9	0
Bloomberg Unleaded Gas Subindex	BCOMRB	(2,737,800)	9.8	0
Bloomberg Low Sulphur Gas Oil Gas Subindex	BCOMGO	(1,493,400)	5.3	0
Bloomberg ULS Diesel Subindex	BCOMHO	(746,600)	2.7	0
Bloomberg Natural Gas Subindex	BCOMNG	497,800	1.8	0
Bloomberg Gold Subindex	BCOMGC	(717,200)	2.6	0
Bloomberg Silver Subindex	BCOMSI	1,673,500	6.0	0
Bloomberg Platinum Subindex	BCOMPL	(956,300)	3.4	0
Bloomberg Palladium Subindex	BCOMPA	(478,100)	1.7	0
Bloomberg Alluminum Subindex	BCOMAL	(717,200)	2.6	0
Bloomberg Copper Subindex	BCOMHG	1,912,500	6.8	0
Bloomberg Nickel Subindex	BCOMNI	1,195,300	4.3	0
Bloomberg Zinc Subindex	BCOMZS	(1,912,500)	6.8	0
Bloomberg Wheat Subindex	BCOMWH	(212,000)	0.8	0
Bloomberg Kansas City Wheat Subindex	BCOMKW	424,100	1.5	0
Bloomberg Corn Subindex	BCOMCN	848,200	3.0	0
<b>UBS Custom Commodity Index/UBSIB165</b>				<b>0</b>

**Value (\$)†**

**Total net unrealized depreciation**

**(29,066,757)**

† There are no upfront payments on the commodity-linked swaps listed above, therefore unrealized appreciation (depreciation) is equal to their value.

### Currency Abbreviation(s)

USD United States Dollar

For information on the Fund's policy and additional disclosures regarding futures contracts, options purchased, commodity-linked swap contracts and written options, please refer to the Derivatives section of Note B in the accompanying Notes to Financial Statements.

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## Fair Value Measurements

Various inputs are used in determining the value of the Fund's investments. These inputs are summarized in three broad levels. Level 1 includes quoted prices in active markets for identical securities. Level 2 includes other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds and credit risk). Level 3 includes significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments). The level assigned to the securities valuations may not be an indication of the risk or liquidity associated with investing in those securities.

The following is a summary of the inputs used as of June 30, 2025 in valuing the Fund's investments. For information on the Fund's policy regarding the valuation of investments, please refer to the Security Valuation section of Note A in the accompanying Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
Corporate Bonds (a)	\$ —	\$246,630,550	\$—	\$246,630,550
Asset-Backed (a)	—	87,011,863	—	87,011,863
Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities	—	28,508,631	—	28,508,631
Collateralized Mortgage Obligations	—	15,336,824	—	15,336,824
Government & Agency Obligations (a)	—	445,840,770	0	445,840,770
Put Options Purchased	1,970,000	—	—	1,970,000
Call Options Purchased	46,750	—	—	46,750
Short-Term Investments (a)	94,266,500	—	—	94,266,500
Derivatives (b)				
Futures Contracts	2,463,272	—	—	2,463,272
Commodity-Linked Swap Contracts	—	2,876,723	—	2,876,723
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$98,746,522</b>	<b>\$826,205,361</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$924,951,883</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
Derivatives (b)				
Futures Contracts	\$ (2,537,616)	\$ —	\$—	\$ (2,537,616)
Written Options	(1,070,000)	—	—	(1,070,000)
Commodity-Linked Swap Contracts	—	(31,943,480)	—	(31,943,480)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ (3,607,616)</b>	<b>\$ (31,943,480)</b>	<b>\$—</b>	<b>\$ (35,551,096)</b>

- (a) See Consolidated Investment Portfolio for additional detailed categorizations.
- (b) Derivatives include value of options purchased, unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on open futures contracts, commodity-linked swap contracts and written options, at value.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

# Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities

as of June 30, 2025

## Assets

Investments in non-affiliated securities, at value (cost \$825,726,055) — including \$6,785,317 of securities loaned	\$ 825,345,388
Investment in DWS Government & Agency Securities Portfolio (cost \$7,067,351)*	7,067,351
Investment in DWS Central Cash Management Government Fund (cost \$87,199,149)	87,199,149
Cash	11,086
Cash held as collateral for over-the-counter derivatives	148,837
Receivable for written options premiums	770,000
Receivable for Fund shares sold	661,473
Interest receivable	6,844,650
Affiliated securities lending income receivable	11,047
Receivable for variation margin on futures contracts	590,138
Unrealized appreciation on bilateral swap contracts	2,876,723
Other assets	45,977
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>931,571,819</b>

## Liabilities

Payable upon return of securities loaned	7,067,351
Payable for purchased options premiums	2,065,000
Payable for investments purchased — when-issued securities	8,305,656
Payable for Fund shares redeemed	766,581
Options written, at value (premiums received \$419,873)	1,070,000
Unrealized depreciation on bilateral swap contracts	31,943,480
Net payable for pending swap contracts	316,217
Accrued management fee	534,981
Accrued Trustees' fees	7,586
Other accrued expenses and payables	512,725
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>52,589,577</b>
<b>Net assets, at value</b>	<b>\$ 878,982,242</b>

\* Represents collateral on securities loaned.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

## Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities

as of June 30, 2025 (continued)

### Net Assets Consist of

Distributable earnings (loss)	(63,353,483)
Paid-in capital	942,335,725
<b>Net assets, at value</b>	<b>\$ 878,982,242</b>

### Net Asset Value

#### Class A

**Net Asset Value** and redemption price per share

(\$41,915,479 ÷ 7,333,638 outstanding shares of beneficial interest,  
\$.01 par value, unlimited number of shares authorized) **\$ 5.72**

Maximum offering price per share (100 ÷ 94.25 of \$5.72) **\$ 6.07**

#### Class C

**Net Asset Value**, offering and redemption price

(subject to contingent deferred sales charge) per share  
(\$6,802,267 ÷ 1,340,518 outstanding shares of beneficial interest,  
\$.01 par value, unlimited number of shares authorized) **\$ 5.07**

#### Class R6

**Net Asset Value**, offering and redemption price per share

(\$25,827,850 ÷ 4,454,690 outstanding shares of beneficial interest,  
\$.01 par value, unlimited number of shares authorized) **\$ 5.80**

#### Class S

**Net Asset Value**, offering and redemption price per share

(\$30,527,384 ÷ 5,274,886 outstanding shares of beneficial interest,  
\$.01 par value, unlimited number of shares authorized) **\$ 5.79**

#### Institutional Class

**Net Asset Value**, offering and redemption price per share

(\$773,909,262 ÷ 133,352,981 outstanding shares of beneficial interest,  
\$.01 par value, unlimited number of shares authorized) **\$ 5.80**

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# Consolidated Statement of Operations

for the year ended June 30, 2025

## Investment Income

Income:	
Interest	\$ 34,012,577
Income distributions from affiliated securities	8,705,044
Affiliated securities lending income	88,007
Total income	42,805,628
Expenses:	
Management fee	7,203,371
Administration fee	899,310
Services to shareholders	959,153
Distribution and service fees	185,140
Custodian fee	65,639
Professional fees	138,493
Reports to shareholders	132,693
Registration fees	98,601
Trustees' fees and expenses	25,416
Proxy fees	1,160,532
Other	68,346
Total expenses before expense reductions	10,936,694
Expense reductions	(1,284,858)
Total expenses after expense reductions	9,651,836
<b>Net investment income</b>	<b>33,153,792</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

## Consolidated Statement of Operations

for the year ended June 30, 2025 (continued)

### Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss)

Net realized gain (loss) from:	
Sale of affiliated investments	\$ (60)
Sale of non-affiliated investments	(843,696)
Swap contracts	(5,264,463)
Futures	28,241,753
Written options	2,636,684
	24,770,218
Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:	
Affiliated investments	117
Non-affiliated investments	12,640,460
Swap contracts	(9,536,797)
Futures	(29,087,166)
Written options	(1,316,127)
	(27,299,513)
<b>Net gain (loss)</b>	<b>(2,529,295)</b>
<b>Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations</b>	<b>\$ 30,624,497</b>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

# Statements of Changes in Net Assets

Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	Years Ended June 30,	
	2025	2024
Operations:		
Net investment income	\$ 33,153,792	\$ 42,350,321
Net realized gain (loss)	24,770,218	(27,964,281)
Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	(27,299,513)	36,947,212
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	30,624,497	51,333,252
Distributions to shareholders:		
Class A	(1,418,930)	(998,793)
Class C	(203,898)	(119,045)
Class R6	(983,229)	(850,380)
Class S	(1,157,407)	(917,139)
Institutional Class	(27,885,802)	(23,247,985)
Total distributions	(31,649,266)	(26,133,342)
Fund share transactions:		
Proceeds from shares sold	191,175,391	377,210,585
Reinvestment of distributions	27,828,079	23,286,778
Payments for shares redeemed	(337,786,392)	(709,312,991)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets from Fund share transactions	(118,782,922)	(308,815,628)
<b>Increase (decrease) in net assets</b>	<b>(119,807,691)</b>	<b>(283,615,718)</b>
Net assets at beginning of period	998,789,933	1,282,405,651
<b>Net assets at end of period</b>	<b>\$ 878,982,242</b>	<b>\$ 998,789,933</b>

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# Consolidated Financial Highlights

## DWS Enhanced Commodity Strategy Fund — Class A

	Years Ended June 30,				
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
<b>Selected Per Share Data</b>					
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b>	<b>\$5.71</b>	<b>\$5.61</b>	<b>\$9.36</b>	<b>\$11.23</b>	<b>\$7.93</b>
<i>Income (loss) from investment operations:</i>					
Net investment income <sup>a</sup>	.19	.19	.13	.01	.04
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	.01 <sup>b</sup>	.02	(.84)	1.67	3.32
<b>Total from investment operations</b>	.20	.21	(.71)	1.68	3.36
<i>Less distributions from:</i>					
Net investment income	(.19)	(.11)	(3.04)	(3.55)	(.06)
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b>	<b>\$5.72</b>	<b>\$5.71</b>	<b>\$5.61</b>	<b>\$9.36</b>	<b>\$11.23</b>
Total Return (%) <sup>c,d</sup>	3.44	3.80	(9.49)	19.60	42.59
<b>Ratios to Average Net Assets and Supplemental Data</b>					
Net assets, end of period (\$ millions)	42	47	59	77	86
Ratio of expenses before expense reductions (%)	1.52	1.38	1.37	1.36	1.42
Ratio of expenses after expense reductions (%)	1.28	1.16	1.24	1.27	1.22
Ratio of net investment income (%)	3.34	3.29	2.05	.11	.39
Portfolio turnover rate (%)	85	54	90	134	81

<sup>a</sup> Based on average shares outstanding during the period.

<sup>b</sup> Because of the timing of subscriptions and redemptions in relation to fluctuating markets at value, the amount shown may not agree with the change in aggregate gains and losses.

<sup>c</sup> Total return does not reflect the effect of any sales charges.

<sup>d</sup> Total return would have been lower had certain expenses not been reduced.

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## DWS Enhanced Commodity Strategy Fund — Class C

	Years Ended June 30,				
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
<b>Selected Per Share Data</b>					
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b>	<b>\$5.08</b>	<b>\$4.99</b>	<b>\$8.33</b>	<b>\$10.04</b>	<b>\$7.11</b>
<i>Income (loss) from investment operations:</i>					
Net investment income (loss) <sup>a</sup>	.13	.13	.07	(.05)	(.03)
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(.00)*	.02	(.75)	1.49	2.98
<b>Total from investment operations</b>	.13	.15	(.68)	1.44	2.95
<i>Less distributions from:</i>					
Net investment income	(.14)	(.06)	(2.66)	(3.15)	(.02)
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b>	<b>\$5.07</b>	<b>\$5.08</b>	<b>\$4.99</b>	<b>\$8.33</b>	<b>\$10.04</b>
Total Return (%) <sup>b,c</sup>	2.57	3.05	(10.18)	18.67	41.55
<b>Ratios to Average Net Assets and Supplemental Data</b>					
Net assets, end of period (\$ millions)	7	9	12	23	13
Ratio of expenses before expense reductions (%)	2.16	2.03	2.04	1.99	2.09
Ratio of expenses after expense reductions (%)	2.03	1.91	1.98	1.98	1.97
Ratio of net investment income (loss) (%)	2.59	2.53	1.26	(.61)	(.35)
Portfolio turnover rate (%)	85	54	90	134	81

<sup>a</sup> Based on average shares outstanding during the period.

<sup>b</sup> Total return does not reflect the effect of any sales charges.

<sup>c</sup> Total return would have been lower had certain expenses not been reduced.

\* Amount is less than \$.005.

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## DWS Enhanced Commodity Strategy Fund — Class R6

	Years Ended June 30,				
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
<b>Selected Per Share Data</b>					
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b>	<b>\$5.79</b>	<b>\$5.69</b>	<b>\$9.50</b>	<b>\$11.39</b>	<b>\$8.05</b>
<i>Income (loss) from investment operations:</i>					
Net investment income <sup>a</sup>	.21	.21	.16	.05	.07
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	.00*	.02	(.86)	1.69	3.37
<b>Total from investment operations</b>	.21	.23	(.70)	1.74	3.44
<i>Less distributions from:</i>					
Net investment income	(.20)	(.13)	(3.11)	(3.63)	(.10)
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b>	<b>\$5.80</b>	<b>\$5.79</b>	<b>\$5.69</b>	<b>\$9.50</b>	<b>\$11.39</b>
Total Return (%) <sup>b</sup>	3.67	4.11	(9.17)	20.06	43.00
<b>Ratios to Average Net Assets and Supplemental Data</b>					
Net assets, end of period (\$ millions)	26	32	42	44	46
Ratio of expenses before expense reductions (%)	1.07	1.02	1.01	.97	1.02
Ratio of expenses after expense reductions (%)	1.02	.89	.89	.89	.89
Ratio of net investment income (%)	3.60	3.56	2.43	.49	.73
Portfolio turnover rate (%)	85	54	90	134	81

<sup>a</sup> Based on average shares outstanding during the period.

<sup>b</sup> Total return would have been lower had certain expenses not been reduced.

\* Amount is less than \$.005.

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## DWS Enhanced Commodity Strategy Fund — Class S

	Years Ended June 30,				
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
<b>Selected Per Share Data</b>					
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b>	<b>\$5.78</b>	<b>\$5.68</b>	<b>\$9.48</b>	<b>\$11.37</b>	<b>\$8.03</b>
<i>Income (loss) from investment operations:</i>					
Net investment income <sup>a</sup>	.20	.20	.15	.03	.06
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(.00)*	.02	(.86)	1.69	3.36
<b>Total from investment operations</b>	.20	.22	(.71)	1.72	3.42
<i>Less distributions from:</i>					
Net investment income	(.19)	(.12)	(3.09)	(3.61)	(.08)
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b>	<b>\$5.79</b>	<b>\$5.78</b>	<b>\$5.68</b>	<b>\$9.48</b>	<b>\$11.37</b>
Total Return (%) <sup>b</sup>	3.55	3.98	(9.30)	19.86	42.86
<b>Ratios to Average Net Assets and Supplemental Data</b>					
Net assets, end of period (\$ millions)	31	41	49	79	70
Ratio of expenses before expense reductions (%)	1.26	1.14	1.15	1.13	1.19
Ratio of expenses after expense reductions (%)	1.13	1.00	1.04	1.07	1.03
Ratio of net investment income (%)	3.49	3.45	2.23	.30	.62
Portfolio turnover rate (%)	85	54	90	134	81

<sup>a</sup> Based on average shares outstanding during the period.

<sup>b</sup> Total return would have been lower had certain expenses not been reduced.

\* Amount is less than \$.005.

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## DWS Enhanced Commodity Strategy Fund — Institutional Class

	Years Ended June 30,				
	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
<b>Selected Per Share Data</b>					
<b>Net asset value, beginning of period</b>	<b>\$5.80</b>	<b>\$5.69</b>	<b>\$9.51</b>	<b>\$11.40</b>	<b>\$8.06</b>
<i>Income (loss) from investment operations:</i>					
Net investment income <sup>a</sup>	.21	.21	.16	.05	.07
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(.01)	.03	(.87)	1.70	3.37
<b>Total from investment operations</b>	<b>.20</b>	<b>.24</b>	<b>(.71)</b>	<b>1.75</b>	<b>3.44</b>
<i>Less distributions from:</i>					
Net investment income	(.20)	(.13)	(3.11)	(3.64)	(.10)
<b>Net asset value, end of period</b>	<b>\$5.80</b>	<b>\$5.80</b>	<b>\$5.69</b>	<b>\$9.51</b>	<b>\$11.40</b>
Total Return (%) <sup>b</sup>	3.50	4.29	(9.24)	20.07	42.94
<b>Ratios to Average Net Assets and Supplemental Data</b>					
Net assets, end of period (\$ millions)	774	869	1,121	2,066	1,848
Ratio of expenses before expense reductions (%)	1.15	1.03	1.06	1.04	1.09
Ratio of expenses after expense reductions (%)	1.02	.89	.89	.89	.89
Ratio of net investment income (%)	3.60	3.56	2.35	.48	.73
Portfolio turnover rate (%)	85	54	90	134	81

<sup>a</sup> Based on average shares outstanding during the period.

<sup>b</sup> Total return would have been lower had certain expenses not been reduced.

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# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## A. Organization and Significant Accounting Policies

DWS Enhanced Commodity Strategy Fund (the “Fund”) is a diversified series of Deutsche DWS Securities Trust (the “Trust”), which is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”), as an open-end management investment company organized as a Massachusetts business trust.

The Fund offers multiple classes of shares which provide investors with different purchase options. Class A shares are subject to an initial sales charge. Class C shares are not subject to an initial sales charge but are subject to higher ongoing expenses than Class A shares and a contingent deferred sales charge payable upon certain redemptions within one year of purchase. Class C shares automatically convert to Class A shares in the same fund after 8 years, provided that the Fund or the financial intermediary through which the shareholder purchased the Class C shares has records verifying that the Class C shares have been held for at least 8 years. Class R6 shares are not subject to initial or contingent deferred sales charges and are generally available only to certain qualifying plans and programs. Class S shares are not subject to initial or contingent deferred sales charges and are available through certain intermediary relationships with financial services firms, or can be purchased by establishing an account directly with the Fund’s transfer agent. Institutional Class shares are not subject to initial or contingent deferred sales charges and are generally available only to qualified institutions.

Investment income, realized and unrealized gains and losses, and certain fund-level expenses and expense reductions, if any, are borne pro rata on the basis of relative net assets by the holders of all classes of shares, except that each class bears certain expenses unique to that class such as distribution and service fees, services to shareholders and certain other class-specific expenses. Differences in class-level expenses may result in payment of different per share dividends by class. All shares of the Fund have equal rights with respect to voting subject to class-specific arrangements.

The Fund’s consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”) which require the use of management estimates. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Subsequent events, if any, through the date that the consolidated financial statements were issued have been evaluated in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements. The Fund qualifies as an investment company under Topic 946 of Accounting Standards Codification of U.S. GAAP. The policies

described below are followed consistently by the Fund in the preparation of its consolidated financial statements.

**Principles of Consolidation.** The Fund invests indirectly in commodities markets through a wholly owned subsidiary, Cayman Commodity Fund II, Ltd., organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the “Subsidiary”). The Fund and the Subsidiary are each a commodity pool and are subject to the requirements of the Commodity Exchange Act (“CEA”), as amended, and the rules of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (“CFTC”) promulgated thereunder. DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc. (the “Advisor”) acts as a commodity pool operator with respect to the operation of the Fund and the Subsidiary as commodity pools under and pursuant to the CEA. The Advisor, the Fund and the Subsidiary are subject to dual regulation by the CFTC and the Securities and Exchange Commission. Among other investments, the Subsidiary may invest in commodity-linked derivative instruments, such as futures and options contracts and commodity-linked swaps. The Subsidiary may also invest in debt securities, some of which are intended to serve as margin or collateral for the Subsidiary’s derivatives positions. The Subsidiary may also invest available cash in affiliated money market funds. The Subsidiary is managed by the same portfolio managers that manage the Fund. As of June 30, 2025, the Fund’s investment in the Subsidiary was \$175,037,622, representing 18.8% of the Fund’s total assets.

The Fund’s Investment Portfolio has been consolidated and includes the portfolio holdings of the Fund and the Subsidiary. The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Fund and the Subsidiary. All inter-company transactions and balances have been eliminated.

**Operating Segment.** In this reporting period, the Fund adopted FASB Accounting Standards Update 2023-07, Segment Reporting (Topic 280) - Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures (“ASU 2023-07”). Adoption of the new standard impacted financial statement disclosures only and did not affect the Fund’s financial position or the results of its operations. An operating segment is defined in Topic 280 as a component of a public entity that engages in business activities from which it may recognize revenues and incur expenses, has operating results that are regularly reviewed by the public entity’s chief operating decision maker (CODM) to make decisions about resources to be allocated to the segment and assess its performance, and has discrete financial information available. The President and Chief Executive Officer, acts as the Fund’s CODM. The Fund represents a single operating segment, as the CODM monitors the operating results of the Fund as a whole and the Fund’s long-term strategic asset allocation is pre-determined in accordance with the terms of its prospectus, based on a defined investment strategy which is executed by the Fund’s portfolio managers as a team. The financial information in the form of the Fund’s portfolio composition, total returns, expense ratios and changes in net asset (i.e.,

changes in net assets resulting from operations, subscriptions and redemptions), which are used by the CODM to assess the segment's performance versus the Fund's comparative benchmarks and to make resource allocation decisions for the Fund's single segment, is consistent with that presented within the Fund's financial statements. Segment assets are reflected on the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities as "total assets" and results of operations and significant segment expenses are listed on the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations.

**Security Valuation.** Investments are stated at value determined as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange on each day the exchange is open for trading.

The Fund's Board has designated DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc. (the "Advisor") as the valuation designee for the Fund pursuant to Rule 2a-5 under the 1940 Act. The Advisor's Pricing Committee (the "Pricing Committee") typically values securities using readily available market quotations or prices supplied by independent pricing services (which are considered fair values under Rule 2a-5). The Advisor has adopted fair valuation procedures that provide methodologies for fair valuing securities.

Various inputs are used in determining the value of the Fund's investments. These inputs are summarized in three broad levels. Level 1 includes quoted prices in active markets for identical securities. Level 2 includes other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds and credit risk). Level 3 includes significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments). The level assigned to the securities valuations may not be an indication of the risk or liquidity associated with investing in those securities.

Debt securities are valued at prices supplied by independent pricing services approved by the Pricing Committee. Such services may use various pricing techniques which take into account appropriate factors such as yield, quality, coupon rate, maturity, type of issue, trading characteristics, prepayment speeds and other data, as well as broker quotes. If the pricing services are unable to provide valuations, debt securities are valued at the average of the most recent reliable bid quotations or evaluated prices, as applicable, obtained from broker-dealers. These securities are generally categorized as Level 2.

Investments in open-end investment companies are valued at their net asset value each business day and are categorized as Level 1.

Futures contracts are generally valued at the settlement prices established each day on the exchange on which they are traded and are categorized as Level 1.

Swap contracts are valued daily based upon prices supplied by a pricing vendor approved by the Pricing Committee, if available, and otherwise are valued at the price provided by the broker-dealer with which the swap was traded. Swap contracts are generally categorized as Level 2.

Exchange-traded options are valued at the last sale price or, in the absence of a sale, the mean between the closing bid and asked prices or at the most recent asked price (bid for purchased options) if no bid or asked price are available. Exchange-traded options are generally categorized as Level 1. Over-the-counter written or purchased options are valued at prices supplied by a pricing vendor approved by the Pricing Committee, if available, and otherwise are valued at the price provided by the broker-dealer with which the option was traded. Over-the-counter written or purchased options are generally categorized as Level 2.

Securities and other assets for which market quotations are not readily available or for which the above valuation procedures are deemed not to reflect fair value are valued in a manner that is intended to reflect their fair value as determined in accordance with procedures approved by the Pricing Committee and are generally categorized as Level 3. In accordance with the Fund's valuation procedures, factors considered in determining value may include, but are not limited to, the type of the security; the size of the holding; the initial cost of the security; the existence of any contractual restrictions on the security's disposition; the price and extent of public trading in similar securities of the issuer or of comparable companies; quotations or evaluated prices from broker-dealers and/or pricing services; information obtained from the issuer, analysts, and/or the appropriate stock exchange (for exchange-traded securities); an analysis of the company's or issuer's financial statements; an evaluation of the forces that influence the issuer and the market(s) in which the security is purchased and sold; and with respect to debt securities, the maturity, coupon, creditworthiness, currency denomination and the movement of the market in which the security is normally traded. The value determined under these procedures may differ from published values for the same securities.

Disclosure about the classification of fair value measurements is included in a table following the Fund's Consolidated Investment Portfolio.

**Securities Lending.** National Financial Services LLC (Fidelity Agency Lending), as securities lending agent, lends securities of the Fund to certain financial institutions under the terms of its securities lending agreement. During the term of the loans, the Fund continues to receive interest and dividends generated by the securities and to participate in any changes in their market value. The Fund requires the borrowers of the securities to maintain collateral with the Fund consisting of cash and/or securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Government, its agencies or instrumentalities having a value at least equal to the value of the securities

loaned. When the collateral falls below specified amounts, the securities lending agent will use its best efforts to obtain additional collateral on the next business day to meet required amounts under the securities lending agreement. During the year ended June 30, 2025, the Fund invested the cash collateral, if any, into a joint trading account in affiliated money market funds, including DWS Government & Agency Securities Portfolio, managed by DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc. DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc. receives a management/administration fee (0.13% annualized effective rate as of June 30, 2025) on the cash collateral invested in DWS Government & Agency Securities Portfolio. The Fund receives compensation for lending its securities either in the form of fees or by earning interest on invested cash collateral net of borrower rebates and fees paid to a securities lending agent. Either the Fund or the borrower may terminate the loan at any time, and the borrower, after notice, is required to return borrowed securities within a standard time period. There may be risks of delay and costs in recovery of securities or even loss of rights in the collateral should the borrower of the securities fail financially. If the Fund is not able to recover securities lent, the Fund may sell the collateral and purchase a replacement investment in the market, incurring the risk that the value of the replacement security is greater than the value of the collateral. The Fund is also subject to all investment risks associated with the reinvestment of any cash collateral received, including, but not limited to, interest rate, credit and liquidity risk associated with such investments.

As of June 30, 2025, the Fund had securities on loan, which were classified as corporate bonds in the Consolidated Investment Portfolio. The value of the related collateral exceeded the value of the security loaned at period end. As of period end, the remaining contractual maturity of the collateral agreements was overnight and continuous.

#### **When-Issued, Delayed-Delivery and Forward-Commitment**

**Transactions.** The Fund may purchase or sell securities on a when-issued, delayed-delivery or forward- commitment basis, including To Be Announced (TBA) purchase commitments, with delivery or payment to occur at a later date beyond the normal settlement period. At the time the Fund enters into a commitment to purchase or sell a security, the transaction is recorded and the value of the transaction is reflected in the net asset value. The price of such security and the date when the security will be delivered and paid for are fixed at the time the transaction is negotiated. The value of the security may vary with market fluctuations. The Fund may sell a TBA purchase commitment before the settlement date or enter into a new commitment to extend the delivery date into the future. Additionally, the Fund or the counterparty may be required to post securities and/or cash collateral in accordance with the terms of the TBA purchase commitment.

Certain risks may arise upon entering into when-issued, delayed-delivery or forward-commitment transactions from the potential inability of counterparties to meet the terms of their contracts or if the issuer does not issue the securities due to political, economic or other factors. Such transactions may also have the effect of leverage on the Fund and may cause the Fund to be more volatile. Additionally, losses may arise due to changes in the value of the underlying securities.

**Tax Information.** The Fund's policy is to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which are applicable to regulated investment companies, and to distribute all of its taxable income to its shareholders.

Income from certain commodity-linked derivatives does not constitute "qualifying income" to the Fund. Receipt of such income could cause the Fund to be subject to tax at the Fund level. The IRS has issued a private letter ruling to the Fund stating that such income earned through its wholly owned Subsidiary constitutes qualifying income. The Fund is required to increase its taxable income by its share of the Subsidiary's income, including net gains from commodity-linked transactions. Net investment losses of the Subsidiary cannot be deducted by the Fund in the current period nor carried forward to offset taxable income for future periods.

At June 30, 2025, the Fund had net tax basis capital loss carryforwards of \$42,413,631, including short-term losses (\$15,233,301) and long-term losses (\$27,180,330), which may be applied against realized net taxable capital gains indefinitely.

The Fund files tax returns with the Internal Revenue Service, the State of New York, and various other states. Each of the tax years in the four-year period ended June 30, 2025, remains subject to examination by taxing authorities.

**Distribution of Income and Gains.** Distributions from net investment income of the Fund, if any, are declared and distributed to shareholders quarterly. Net realized gains from investment transactions, in excess of available capital loss carryforwards, would be taxable to the Fund if not distributed, and, therefore, will be distributed to shareholders at least annually. The Fund may also make additional distributions for tax purposes if necessary.

The timing and characterization of certain income and capital gain distributions are determined annually in accordance with federal tax regulations which may differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These differences primarily relate to premium amortization on debt securities and investment in the subsidiary. As a result, net investment income (loss) and net realized gain (loss) on investment transactions for a reporting period may differ significantly from distributions during such period. Accordingly, the Fund

may periodically make reclassifications among certain of its capital accounts without impacting the net asset value of the Fund.

At June 30, 2025, the Fund's components of distributable earnings (accumulated losses) on a net tax basis were as follows:

Undistributed ordinary income*	\$ 44,937,290
Capital loss carryforwards	\$ (42,413,631)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments	\$ (870,113,347)

At June 30, 2025, the aggregate cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was \$1,788,631,760. The net unrealized depreciation for all investments based on tax cost was \$870,113,347. This consisted of aggregate gross unrealized appreciation for all investments for which there was an excess of value over tax cost of \$209,285,243 and aggregate gross unrealized depreciation for all investments for which there was an excess of tax cost over value of \$1,079,398,590.

In addition, the tax character of distributions paid to shareholders by the Fund is summarized as follows:

	<b>Years Ended June 30,</b>	
	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
Distributions from ordinary income*	\$ 31,649,266	\$ 26,133,342

\* For tax purposes, short-term capital gain distributions, and income and net realized gains from certain commodity-linked derivative instruments are considered ordinary income distributions.

**Expenses.** Expenses of the Trust arising in connection with a specific fund are allocated to that fund. Other Trust expenses which cannot be directly attributed to a fund are apportioned among the funds in the Trust based upon the relative net assets or other appropriate measures.

**Contingencies.** In the normal course of business, the Fund may enter into contracts with service providers that contain general indemnification clauses. The Fund's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown, as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet been made. However, based on experience, the Fund expects the risk of loss to be remote.

**Other.** Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade date plus one basis for daily net asset value calculations. However, for financial reporting purposes, investment transactions are reported on trade date. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Realized gains and losses from investment transactions are recorded on an identified cost basis. Proceeds from litigation payments, if any, are included in net realized gain (loss) from investments. All premiums and discounts are amortized/accreted for both tax and financial reporting purposes.

## B. Derivative Instruments

**Swaps.** A swap is a contract between two parties to exchange future cash flows at periodic intervals based on the notional amount of the swap. A bilateral swap is a transaction between the Fund and a counterparty where cash flows are exchanged between the two parties. A centrally cleared swap is a transaction executed between the Fund and a counterparty, then cleared by a clearing member through a central clearinghouse. The central clearinghouse serves as the counterparty, with whom the Fund exchanges cash flows.

The value of a swap is adjusted daily, and the change in value, if any, is recorded as unrealized appreciation or depreciation in the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities. Gains or losses are realized when the swap expires or is closed. Certain risks may arise when entering into swap transactions including counterparty default; liquidity; or unfavorable changes in interest rates or the value of the underlying reference security, commodity or index. In connection with bilateral swaps, securities and/or cash may be identified as collateral in accordance with the terms of the swap agreement to provide assets of value and recourse in the event of default. The maximum counterparty credit risk is the net present value of the cash flows to be received from or paid to the counterparty over the term of the swap, to the extent that this amount is beneficial to the Fund, in addition to any related collateral posted to the counterparty by the Fund. This risk may be partially reduced by a master netting arrangement between the Fund and the counterparty. Upon entering into a centrally cleared swap, the Fund is required to deposit with a financial intermediary cash or securities (“initial margin”) in an amount equal to a certain percentage of the notional amount of the swap. Subsequent payments (“variation margin”) are made or received by the Fund dependent upon the daily fluctuations in the value of the swap. In a centrally cleared swap transaction, counterparty risk is minimized as the central clearinghouse acts as the counterparty.

Commodity-linked swap agreements involve a commitment to pay interest in exchange for a commodity-linked return based on a notional amount. To the extent the return of the reference commodity or commodity index underlying the commodity-linked swap exceeds or falls short of the offsetting interest rate obligation, the Fund will receive a payment or make a payment to the counterparty, respectively. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the Fund entered into commodity-linked swap agreements to gain exposure to the investment return of assets that trade in the commodity markets, without investing directly in physical commodities.

A summary of the open commodity-linked swap contracts as of June 30, 2025 is included in a table following the Fund’s Consolidated Investment Portfolio. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the investment in long

commodity-linked swap contracts had a total notional amount generally indicative of a range from \$1,508,597,000 to \$2,208,055,000.

**Futures Contracts.** A futures contract is an agreement between a buyer or seller and an established futures exchange or its clearinghouse in which the buyer or seller agrees to take or make a delivery of a specific amount of a financial instrument at a specified price on a specific date (settlement date). For the year ended June 30, 2025, the Fund entered into commodity futures contracts to gain exposure to the investment return of assets that trade in the commodity markets, without investing directly in physical commodities.

Upon entering into a futures contract, the Fund is required to deposit with a financial intermediary cash or securities ("initial margin") in an amount equal to a certain percentage of the face value indicated in the futures contract. Subsequent payments ("variation margin") are made or received by the Fund dependent upon the daily fluctuations in the value and are recorded for financial reporting purposes as unrealized gains or losses by the Fund. Gains or losses are realized when the contract expires or is closed. Since all futures contracts are exchange-traded, counterparty risk is minimized as the exchange's clearinghouse acts as the counterparty, and guarantees the futures against default.

Certain risks may arise upon entering into futures contracts, including the risk that an illiquid market will limit the Fund's ability to close out a futures contract prior to the settlement date and the risk that the futures contract is not well correlated with the security, index or currency to which it relates. Risk of loss may exceed amounts recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

A summary of the open futures contracts as of June 30, 2025, is included in a table following the Fund's Consolidated Investment Portfolio. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the investment in futures contracts purchased had a total notional value generally indicative of a range from approximately \$50,385,000 to \$142,330,000, and the investment in futures contracts sold had a total notional value generally indicative of a range from approximately \$34,746,000 to \$106,705,000.

**Options.** An option contract is a contract in which the writer (seller) of the option grants the buyer of the option, upon payment of a premium, the right to purchase from (call option), or sell to (put option), the writer a designated instrument at a specified price within a specified period of time. The Fund may write or purchase interest rate swaption agreements which are options to enter into a pre-defined swap agreement. The interest rate swaption agreement will specify whether the buyer of the swaption will be a fixed-rate receiver or a fixed-rate payer upon exercise. The Fund may also purchase options on exchange-traded futures contracts where the Fund is required to deposit with a financial intermediary cash or securities ("initial margin") in an amount equal to a certain percentage of

the face value indicated in the underlying futures contract. Subsequent payments (“variation margin”) are made or received by the Fund dependent upon the daily fluctuations in the value and are recorded for financial reporting purposes as unrealized gains or losses by the Fund. Certain options, including options on indices, will require cash settlement by the Fund if exercised. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the Fund entered into options on commodity futures contracts to gain exposure to the investment return of assets that trade in the commodity markets, without investing directly in physical commodities.

If the Fund writes a covered call option, the Fund foregoes, in exchange for the premium, the opportunity to profit during the option period from an increase in the market value of the underlying security above the exercise price. If the Fund writes a put option it accepts the risk of a decline in the value of the underlying security below the exercise price. Over-the-counter options have the risk of the potential inability of counterparties to meet the terms of their contracts. The Fund’s maximum exposure to purchased options is limited to the premium initially paid. There is no premium paid at the time of purchase on certain options on exchange-traded futures. At the expiration of these options on exchange-traded futures, the accumulated variation margin made or received is recorded as realized gains or losses. Certain risks may arise upon entering into option contracts including the risk that an illiquid secondary market will limit the Fund’s ability to close out an option contract prior to the expiration date and that a change in the value of the option contract may not correlate exactly with changes in the value of the securities or currencies hedged.

A summary of open purchased option contracts as of June 30, 2025 is included in the Fund’s Consolidated Investment Portfolio. A summary of open written option contracts is included in the table following the Fund’s Consolidated Investment Portfolio. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the investment in purchased options contracts had a total value generally indicative of a range from \$0 to approximately \$2,017,000, and the investment in written options contracts had a total value generally indicative of a range from approximately \$476,000 to \$5,169,000.

The following tables summarize the value of the Fund’s derivative instruments held as of June 30, 2025 and the related location in the

accompanying Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities, presented by primary underlying risk exposure:

<b>Asset Derivatives</b>	<b>Purchased Options</b>	<b>Swap Contracts</b>	<b>Futures Contracts</b>	<b>Total</b>
Commodity Contracts (a) (b)	\$ 2,016,750	\$ 2,876,723	\$ 2,463,272	\$ 7,356,745

Each of the above derivatives is located in the following Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities accounts:

- (a) Futures contracts are reported in the table above using cumulative appreciation of futures contracts, as reported in the futures contracts table following the Fund's Consolidated Investment Portfolio; within the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities, the variation margin at period end is reported as Receivable (Payable) for variation margin on futures contracts.
- (b) Investments in securities at value (includes purchased options) and unrealized appreciation on bilateral swap contracts

<b>Liability Derivatives</b>	<b>Written Options</b>	<b>Swap Contracts</b>	<b>Futures Contracts</b>	<b>Total</b>
Commodity Contracts (a) (b)	\$ (1,070,000)	\$ (31,943,480)	\$ (2,537,616)	\$ (35,551,096)

Each of the above derivatives is located in the following Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities accounts:

- (a) Futures contracts are reported in the table above using cumulative depreciation of futures contracts, as reported in the futures contracts table following the Fund's Consolidated Investment Portfolio; within the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities, the variation margin at period end is reported as Receivable (Payable) for variation margin on futures contracts.
- (b) Written options, at value and unrealized depreciation on bilateral swap contracts

Additionally, the amount of unrealized and realized gains and losses on derivative instruments recognized in Fund earnings during the year ended June 30, 2025 and the related location in the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations is summarized in the following tables by primary underlying risk exposure:

<b>Realized Gain (Loss)</b>	<b>Purchased Options</b>	<b>Written Options</b>	<b>Swap Contracts</b>	<b>Futures Contracts</b>	<b>Total</b>
Commodity Contracts (a)	\$ 2,022,822	\$ 2,636,684	\$ (5,264,463)	\$ 28,241,753	\$ 27,636,796

Each of the above derivatives is located in the following Consolidated Statement of Operations accounts:

- (a) Net realized gain (loss) from investments (includes purchased options), written options, swap and futures contracts, respectively

## Change in Net Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)

	Purchased Options	Written Options	Swap Contracts	Futures Contracts	Total
Commodity					
Contracts (a)	\$ 2,020,186	\$ (1,316,127)	\$ (9,536,797)	\$ (29,087,166)	\$ (37,919,904)

Each of the above derivatives is located in the following Consolidated Statement of Operations accounts:

- (a) Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments (includes purchased options), written options, swap and futures contracts, respectively

As of June 30, 2025, the Fund has transactions subject to enforceable master netting agreements which govern the terms of certain transactions, and reduce the counterparty risk associated with such transactions. Master netting agreements allow a Fund to close out and net total exposure to a counterparty in the event of a deterioration in the credit quality or contractual default with respect to all of the transactions with a counterparty. As defined by the master netting agreement, the Fund may have collateral agreements with certain counterparties to mitigate risk. For financial reporting purposes the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities generally shows derivatives assets and liabilities on a gross basis, which reflects the full risks and exposures prior to netting. A reconciliation of the gross amounts on the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities to the net amounts by a counterparty, including any collateral exposure, is included in the following tables:

Counterparty	Gross Amount of Assets Presented in the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities	Financial Instruments and Derivatives Available for Offset	Non-Cash Collateral Received	Cash Collateral Received	Net Amount of Derivative Assets
Barclays Bank PLC	\$ 555,681	\$ (555,681)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —
Citigroup, Inc.	302,263	(302,263)	—	—	—
Goldman Sachs & Co.	134,456	(134,456)	—	—	—
JPMorgan Chase Securities, Inc.	328,642	(328,642)	—	—	—
Macquarie Bank Ltd.	770,869	(770,869)	—	—	—
Merrill Lynch International Ltd.	139,664	(139,664)	—	—	—
Morgan Stanley	205,906	(205,906)	—	—	—
Societe Generale	439,242	(439,242)	—	—	—
	<b>\$ 2,876,723</b>	<b>\$ (2,876,723)</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>

<b>Counterparty</b>	<b>Gross Amount of Liabilities Presented in the Consolidated Statement of Assets and Liabilities</b>	<b>Financial Instruments and Derivatives Available for Offset</b>	<b>Non-Cash Collateral Pledged (a)</b>	<b>Cash Collateral Pledged(a)</b>	<b>Net Amount of Derivative Liabilities</b>
Barclays Bank PLC	\$ 2,064,860	\$ (555,681)	\$ (1,509,179)	\$ —	\$ —
BNP Paribas	1,599,690	—	(1,599,690)	—	—
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce	1,132,180	—	(1,132,180)	—	—
Citigroup, Inc.	7,347,030	(302,263)	(7,044,767)	—	—
Goldman Sachs & Co.	4,671,862	(134,456)	(4,537,406)	—	—
JPMorgan Chase Securities, Inc.	4,017,919	(328,642)	(3,689,277)	—	—
Macquarie Bank Ltd.	1,415,005	(770,869)	(644,136)	—	—
Merrill Lynch International Ltd.	1,829,220	(139,664)	(1,689,556)	—	—
Morgan Stanley	1,415,005	(205,906)	(1,209,099)	—	—
Royal Bank of Canada	1,979,766	—	(1,979,766)	—	—
Societe Generale	3,863,794	(439,242)	(3,424,552)	—	—
UBS AG	607,149	—	(607,149)	—	—
	<b>\$ 31,943,480</b>	<b>\$ (2,876,723)</b>	<b>\$ (29,066,757)</b>	<b>\$ —</b>	<b>\$ —</b>

(a) The actual collateral received and/or pledged may be more than the amounts shown.

### **C. Purchases and Sales of Securities**

During the year ended June 30, 2025, purchases and sales of investment securities, excluding short-term investments, were as follows:

	<b>Purchases</b>	<b>Sales</b>
Non-U.S. Treasury Obligations	\$152,402,587	\$191,674,955
U.S. Treasury Obligations	\$432,693,715	\$388,011,878

## D. Related Parties

**Management Agreement.** Under the Investment Management Agreement with DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc. (“DIMA” or the “Advisor”), an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of DWS Group GmbH & Co. KGaA (“DWS Group”), the Advisor directs the investments of the Fund in accordance with its investment objectives, policies and restrictions. The Advisor determines the securities, instruments and other contracts relating to investments to be purchased, sold or entered into by the Fund.

Under the Investment Management Agreement with the Advisor, the Fund pays a monthly management fee based on the average daily net assets of the Fund, computed and accrued daily and payable monthly, at the following annual rates:

First \$500 million of the Fund’s average daily net assets	.800%
Next \$500 million of such net assets	.750%
Next \$500 million of such net assets	.700%
Next \$1 billion of such net assets	.675%
Next \$1 billion of such net assets	.650%
Next \$1.5 billion of such net assets	.625%
Over \$5 billion of such net assets	.600%

Accordingly, for the year ended June 30, 2025, the fee pursuant to the Investment Management Agreement was equivalent to an annual rate (exclusive of any applicable waivers/reimbursements) of 0.777% of the Fund’s average daily net assets.

For the period from July 1, 2024 through September 30, 2024 (through September 30, 2025 for Class R6 and Institutional Class shares), the Advisor has contractually agreed to waive its fees and/or reimburse certain operating expenses of the Fund to the extent necessary to maintain the total annual operating expenses (excluding certain expenses such as extraordinary expenses, taxes, brokerage, interest expense and acquired fund fees and expenses) of each class as follows:

Class A	1.14%
Class C	1.89%
Class R6	.89%
Class S	.99%
Institutional Class	.89%

Effective October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025, the Advisor has contractually agreed to waive its fees and/or reimburse certain operating expenses of the Fund to the extent necessary to maintain the total annual

operating expenses (excluding certain expenses such as extraordinary expenses, taxes, brokerage, interest expense and acquired fund fees and expenses) of certain classes as follows:

Class A	1.16%
Class C	1.91%
Class S	1.01%

For the year ended June 30, 2025, fees waived and/or expenses reimbursed for each class are as follows:

Class A	\$ 105,310
Class C	9,920
Class R6	14,967
Class S	46,407
Institutional Class	1,108,254
	<b>\$ 1,284,858</b>

**Administration Fee.** Pursuant to an Administrative Services Agreement, DIMA provides most administrative services to the Fund. For all services provided under the Administrative Services Agreement, the Fund pays the Advisor an annual fee (“Administration Fee”) of 0.097% of the Fund’s average daily net assets, computed and accrued daily and payable monthly. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the Administration Fee was \$899,310, of which \$71,845 is unpaid.

**Service Provider Fees.** DWS Service Company (“DSC”), an affiliate of the Advisor, is the transfer agent, dividend-paying agent and shareholder service agent for the Fund. Pursuant to a sub-transfer agency agreement between DSC and SS&C GIDS, Inc. (“SS&C”), DSC has delegated certain transfer agent, dividend-paying agent and shareholder service agent functions to SS&C. DSC compensates SS&C out of the shareholder servicing fee it receives from the Fund. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the amounts charged to the Fund by DSC were as follows:

<b>Services to Shareholders</b>	<b>Total Aggregated</b>	<b>Unpaid at June 30, 2025</b>
Class A	\$ 7,044	\$ 1,158
Class C	326	57
Class R6	2,785	1,178
Class S	7,661	1,279
Institutional Class	7,092	572
	<b>\$ 24,908</b>	<b>\$ 4,244</b>

In addition, for the year ended June 30, 2025, the amounts charged to the Fund for recordkeeping and other administrative services provided by unaffiliated third parties, included in the Consolidated Statement of Operations under “Services to shareholders,” were as follows:

<b>Sub-Recordkeeping</b>	<b>Total Aggregated</b>
Class A	\$ 88,099
Class C	7,442
Class S	63,998
Institutional Class	759,673
	<b>\$ 919,212</b>

**Distribution and Service Fees.** Under the Fund’s Class C 12b-1 Plan, DWS Distributors, Inc. (“DDI”), an affiliate of the Advisor, receives a fee (“Distribution Fee”) of 0.75% of the average daily net assets of Class C shares. In accordance with the Fund’s Underwriting and Distribution Services Agreement, DDI enters into related selling group agreements with various firms at various rates for sales of Class C shares. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the Distribution Fee was as follows:

<b>Distribution Fee</b>	<b>Total Aggregated</b>	<b>Unpaid at June 30, 2025</b>
Class C	\$ 57,449	\$ 4,277

In addition, DDI provides information and administrative services for a fee (“Service Fee”) to Class A and C shareholders at an annual rate of up to 0.25% of the average daily net assets for each such class. DDI in turn has various agreements with financial services firms that provide these services and pays these fees based upon the assets of shareholder accounts the firms service. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the Service Fee was as follows:

<b>Service Fee</b>	<b>Total Aggregated</b>	<b>Unpaid at June 30, 2025</b>	<b>Annual Rate</b>
Class A	\$ 108,565	\$ 18,514	.25%
Class C	19,126	2,904	.25%
	<b>\$ 127,691</b>	<b>\$ 21,418</b>	

**Underwriting Agreement and Contingent Deferred Sales Charge.** DDI is the principal underwriter for the Fund. Underwriting commissions paid in connection with the distribution of Class A shares for the year ended June 30, 2025 aggregated \$799.

In addition, DDI receives any contingent deferred sales charge (“CDSC”) from Class C share redemptions occurring within one year of purchase. There is no such charge upon redemption of any share appreciation or

reinvested dividends. The CDSC is 1% of the value of the shares redeemed for Class C. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the CDSC for Class C shares aggregated \$806. A deferred sales charge of up to 1% is assessed on certain redemptions of Class A shares. For the year ended June 30, 2025, DDI received \$42 for Class A shares.

**Other Service Fees.** Under an agreement with the Fund, DIMA is compensated for providing regulatory filing services to the Fund. For the year ended June 30, 2025, the amount charged to the Fund by DIMA included in the Consolidated Statement of Operations under “Reports to shareholders” aggregated \$1,365, of which \$395 is unpaid.

**Trustees’ Fees and Expenses.** The Fund paid retainer fees to each Trustee not affiliated with the Advisor, plus specified amounts to the Board Chairperson and to each committee Chairperson.

**Affiliated Cash Management Vehicles.** The Fund may invest uninvested cash balances in DWS Central Cash Management Government Fund, an affiliated money market fund which is managed by the Advisor. DWS Central Cash Management Government Fund is managed in accordance with Rule 2a-7 under the 1940 Act, which governs the quality, maturity, diversity and liquidity of instruments in which a money market fund may invest and seeks to maintain a stable net asset value. The Fund indirectly bears its proportionate share of the expenses of its investment in DWS Central Cash Management Government Fund. DWS Central Cash Management Government Fund does not pay the Advisor an investment management fee.

## **E. Line of Credit**

The Fund and other affiliated funds (the “Participants”) share in a \$345 million revolving credit facility provided by a syndication of banks. The Fund may borrow for temporary or emergency purposes, including the meeting of redemption requests that otherwise might require the untimely disposition of securities. The Participants are charged an annual commitment fee, which is allocated based on net assets, among each of the Participants. Interest is calculated at a daily fluctuating rate per annum equal to the sum of 0.10% plus the higher of the Federal Funds Effective Rate and the Overnight Bank Funding Rate, plus 1.25%. The Fund may borrow up to a maximum of 25 percent of its net assets under the agreement. The Fund had no outstanding loans at June 30, 2025.

## **F. Investing in Commodities-Related Investments**

The Fund invests in commodity-linked derivative instruments such as commodity-linked swaps, commodity-linked structured notes and options and futures contracts that are designed to provide exposure to the investment return of assets that trade in the commodity markets, without investing directly in physical commodities. The commodities-linked

derivatives instruments in which the Fund invests are more volatile than many other types of securities and may subject the Fund to special risks that do not apply to all derivatives transactions. The value of a commodity-linked derivative investment generally is based upon the price movements of a physical commodity (such as energy, minerals, or agricultural products), a futures contract, swap or commodity index, or other economic variables based upon changes in the value of commodities or the commodities markets. The value of commodity-linked derivative instruments may be affected by changes in overall market movements, commodity index volatility, changes in interest rates, or factors affecting a particular industry or commodity, such as drought, floods, weather, livestock disease, changes in storage costs, embargoes, tariffs, policies of commodity cartels and international economic, political and regulatory developments. Also, a liquid secondary market may not exist for the types of commodity-linked derivative instruments the Fund buys, which may make it difficult for the Fund to sell them at an acceptable price. The Fund's ability to gain exposure to commodity-linked investments and achieve its investment objective may be limited by its intention to qualify as a regulated investment company under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

## G. Fund Share Transactions

The following table summarizes share and dollar activity in the Fund:

	Year Ended June 30, 2025		Year Ended June 30, 2024	
	Shares	Dollars	Shares	Dollars
<b>Shares sold</b>				
Class A	2,744,204	\$ 15,619,799	2,262,140	\$ 12,810,578
Class C	116,477	595,310	230,308	1,166,695
Class R6	1,772,307	10,220,790	1,895,937	10,860,673
Class S	1,352,274	7,706,024	1,885,827	10,730,902
Institutional Class	27,249,564	157,033,468	59,453,650	341,641,737
		<b>\$ 191,175,391</b>		<b>\$ 377,210,585</b>
<b>Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions</b>				
Class A	134,845	\$ 773,694	100,561	\$ 571,247
Class C	38,211	195,539	22,663	114,641
Class R6	103,849	602,543	101,062	581,304
Class S	188,261	1,092,697	148,700	854,814
Institutional Class	4,322,772	25,163,606	3,676,971	21,164,772
		<b>\$ 27,828,079</b>		<b>\$ 23,286,778</b>

	Year Ended June 30, 2025		Year Ended June 30, 2024	
	Shares	Dollars	Shares	Dollars
<b>Shares redeemed</b>				
Class A	(3,799,475)	\$ (21,622,824)	(4,553,760)	\$ (25,895,041)
Class C	(622,357)	(3,105,828)	(839,494)	(4,219,873)
Class R6	(2,992,182)	(17,097,537)	(3,765,729)	(21,774,203)
Class S	(3,365,691)	(19,089,260)	(3,597,626)	(20,747,539)
Institutional Class	(48,175,885)	(276,870,943)	(110,030,924)	(636,676,335)
		<b>\$ (337,786,392)</b>		<b>\$ (709,312,991)</b>
<b>Net increase (decrease)</b>				
Class A	(920,426)	\$ (5,229,331)	(2,191,059)	\$ (12,513,216)
Class C	(467,669)	(2,314,979)	(586,523)	(2,938,537)
Class R6	(1,116,026)	(6,274,204)	(1,768,730)	(10,332,226)
Class S	(1,825,156)	(10,290,539)	(1,563,099)	(9,161,823)
Institutional Class	(16,603,549)	(94,673,869)	(46,900,303)	(273,869,826)
		<b>\$ (118,782,922)</b>		<b>\$ (308,815,628)</b>

# Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

**To the Board of Trustees of Deutsche DWS Securities Trust and Shareholders of DWS Enhanced Commodity Strategy Fund:**

## ***Opinion on the Financial Statements***

We have audited the accompanying consolidated statement of assets and liabilities of DWS Enhanced Commodity Strategy Fund (the “Fund”) (one of the funds constituting Deutsche DWS Securities Trust (the “Trust”)), including the consolidated investment portfolio, as of June 30, 2025, and the related consolidated statement of operations for the year then ended, the consolidated statements of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, the consolidated financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended and the related notes (collectively referred to as the “financial statements”). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Fund (one of the funds constituting Deutsche DWS Securities Trust) at June 30, 2025, the consolidated results of its operations for the year then ended, the consolidated changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended and its consolidated financial highlights for each of the five years in the period then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

## ***Basis for Opinion***

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Trust’s management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Fund’s financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) (“PCAOB”) and are required to be independent with respect to the Trust in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. The Trust is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of the Trust’s internal control over financial reporting. As part of our audits, we are required to obtain an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the

effectiveness of the Trust's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our procedures included confirmation of securities owned as of June 30, 2025, by correspondence with the custodian, brokers, and others; when replies were not received from brokers and others, we performed other auditing procedures. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

*Ernst + Young LLP*

We have served as the auditor of one or more investment companies in the DWS family of funds since at least 1979, but we are unable to determine the specific year.

Boston, Massachusetts  
August 21, 2025

# Tax Information

**(Unaudited)**

Please consult a tax advisor if you have questions about federal or state income tax laws, or on how to prepare your tax returns. If you have specific questions about your account, please call (800) 728-3337.

# Advisory Agreement Board Considerations and Fee Evaluation

The Board of Trustees (hereinafter referred to as the “Board” or “Trustees”) approved the renewal of DWS Enhanced Commodity Strategy Fund’s (the “Fund”) investment management agreement (the “Agreement”) with DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc. (“DIMA”) in September 2024.

In terms of the process that the Board followed prior to approving the Agreement, shareholders should know that:

- During the entire process, all of the Fund’s Trustees were independent of DIMA and its affiliates (the “Independent Trustees”).
- The Board met frequently during the past year to discuss fund matters and dedicated a substantial amount of time to contract review matters. Over the course of several months, the Board reviewed extensive materials received from DIMA, independent third parties and independent counsel, including materials containing information on the Fund’s performance, fees and expenses, profitability, economies of scale and fall-out benefits.
- The Board also received extensive information throughout the year regarding performance of the Fund.
- The Independent Trustees regularly met privately with counsel to discuss contract review and other matters.
- In connection with reviewing the Agreement, the Board also reviewed the terms of the Fund’s Rule 12b-1 plan, distribution agreement, administrative services agreement, transfer agency agreement, and certain other material service agreements.

In connection with the contract review process, the Board considered the factors discussed below, among others. The Board also considered that DIMA and its predecessors have managed the Fund since its inception, and the Board believes that a long-term relationship with a capable, conscientious advisor is in the best interests of the Fund. The Board considered, generally, that shareholders chose to invest or remain invested in the Fund knowing that DIMA managed the Fund. DIMA is part of DWS Group GmbH & Co. KGaA (“DWS Group”). DWS Group is a global asset management business that offers a wide range of investing expertise and resources, including research capabilities in many countries throughout the world. DWS Group is majority-owned by Deutsche Bank AG, with approximately 20% of its shares publicly traded.

As part of the contract review process, the Board carefully considered the fees and expenses of each DWS fund overseen by the Board in light of the fund’s performance. In many cases, this led to the negotiation and implementation of expense caps.

While shareholders may focus primarily on fund performance and fees, the Fund's Board considers these and many other factors, including the quality and integrity of DIMA's personnel and administrative support services provided by DIMA, such as back-office operations, fund valuations, and compliance policies and procedures.

**Nature, Quality and Extent of Services.** The Board considered the terms of the Agreement, including the scope of advisory services provided under the Agreement. The Board noted that, under the Agreement, DIMA provides portfolio management services to the Fund and that, pursuant to a separate administrative services agreement, DIMA provides administrative services to the Fund. The Board considered the experience and skills of senior management and investment personnel and the resources made available to such personnel. The Board also considered the risks to DIMA in sponsoring or managing the Fund, including financial, operational and reputational risks, the potential economic impact to DIMA from such risks and DIMA's approach to addressing such risks. The Board reviewed the Fund's performance over short-term and long-term periods and compared those returns to various agreed-upon performance measures, including market index(es) and a peer universe compiled using information supplied by Morningstar Direct ("Morningstar"), an independent fund data service. The Board also noted that it has put into place a process of identifying "Funds in Review" (e.g., funds performing poorly relative to a peer universe), and receives additional reporting from DIMA regarding such funds and, where appropriate, DIMA's plans to address underperformance. The Board believes this process is an effective manner of identifying and addressing underperforming funds. Based on the information provided, the Board noted that, for the one-, three- and five-year periods ended December 31, 2023, the Fund's performance (Class A shares) was in the 2nd quartile, 3rd quartile and 4th quartile, respectively, of the applicable Morningstar universe (the 1st quartile being the best performers and the 4th quartile being the worst performers). The Board also observed that the Fund has outperformed its benchmark in the one-year period and has underperformed its benchmark in the three- and five-year periods ended December 31, 2023.

**Fees and Expenses.** The Board considered the Fund's investment management fee schedule, operating expenses and total expense ratios, and comparative information provided by Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. ("Broadridge") regarding investment management fee rates paid to other investment advisors by similar funds (1st quartile being the most favorable and 4th quartile being the least favorable). With respect to management fees paid to other investment advisors by similar funds, the Board noted that the contractual fee rates paid by the Fund, which include a 0.097% fee paid to DIMA under the Fund's administrative services agreement, were higher than the median (3rd quartile) of the applicable Broadridge peer group (based on Broadridge data provided as of

December 31, 2023). The Board noted that, effective October 1, 2023, in connection with the 2023 contract renewal process, DIMA agreed to reduce the Fund's contractual management fee at each breakpoint by 0.05%. The Board noted that the Fund's Class A shares total (net) operating expenses (excluding 12b-1 fees) were expected to be higher than the median (3rd quartile) of the applicable Broadridge expense universe (based on Broadridge data provided as of December 31, 2023, and analyzing Broadridge expense universe Class A (net) expenses less any applicable 12b-1 fees) ("Broadridge Universe Expenses"). The Board also reviewed data comparing each other operational share class's total (net) operating expenses to the applicable Broadridge Universe Expenses. The Board noted that the expense limitations agreed to by DIMA were expected to help the Fund's total (net) operating expenses remain competitive. The Board considered the Fund's management fee rate as compared to fees charged by DIMA to comparable DWS U.S. registered funds ("DWS Funds"), noting that DIMA indicated that it does not provide services to any other comparable DWS Funds. The information requested by the Board as part of its review of fees and expenses also included information about institutional accounts (including any sub-advised funds and accounts) and funds offered primarily to European investors ("DWS Europe Funds") managed by DWS Group. The Board noted that DIMA indicated that DWS Group manages a DWS Europe Fund comparable to the Fund, but does not manage any comparable institutional accounts. The Board took note of the differences in services provided to DWS Funds as compared to DWS Europe Funds and that such differences made comparison difficult.

On the basis of the information provided, the Board concluded that management fees were reasonable and appropriate in light of the nature, quality and extent of services provided by DIMA.

**Profitability.** The Board reviewed detailed information regarding revenues received by DIMA under the Agreement. The Board considered the estimated costs to DIMA, and pre-tax profits realized by DIMA, from advising the DWS Funds, as well as estimates of the pre-tax profits attributable to managing the Fund in particular. The Board also received information regarding the estimated enterprise-wide profitability of DIMA and its affiliates with respect to all fund services in totality and by fund. The Board reviewed DIMA's methodology in allocating its costs to the management of the Fund. Based on the information provided, the Board concluded that the pre-tax profits realized by DIMA in connection with the management of the Fund were not unreasonable. The Board also reviewed certain publicly available information regarding the profitability of certain similar investment management firms. The Board noted that, while information regarding the profitability of such firms is limited (and in some cases is not necessarily prepared on a comparable basis), DIMA and its affiliates' overall profitability with respect to the DWS Funds (after taking

into account distribution and other services provided to the funds by DIMA and its affiliates) was lower than the overall profitability levels of most comparable firms for which such data was available.

**Economies of Scale.** The Board considered whether there are economies of scale with respect to the management of the Fund and whether the Fund benefits from any economies of scale. The Board noted that the Fund's investment management fee schedule includes fee breakpoints. The Board concluded that the Fund's fee schedule represents an appropriate sharing between the Fund and DIMA of such economies of scale as may exist in the management of the Fund at current asset levels.

**Other Benefits to DIMA and Its Affiliates.** The Board also considered the character and amount of other incidental or "fall-out" benefits received by DIMA and its affiliates, including any fees received by DIMA for administrative services provided to the Fund, any fees received by an affiliate of DIMA for transfer agency services provided to the Fund and any fees received by an affiliate of DIMA for distribution services. The Board also considered benefits to DIMA related to brokerage and soft-dollar allocations, including allocating brokerage to pay for research generated by parties other than the executing broker dealers, which pertain primarily to funds investing in equity securities. In addition, the Board considered the incidental public relations benefits to DIMA related to DWS Funds advertising and cross-selling opportunities among DIMA products and services. The Board considered these benefits in reaching its conclusion that the Fund's management fees were reasonable.

**Compliance.** The Board considered the significant attention and resources dedicated by DIMA to its compliance processes in recent years. The Board noted in particular (i) the experience, seniority and time commitment of the individuals serving as DIMA's and the Fund's chief compliance officers; (ii) the substantial commitment of resources by DIMA and its affiliates to compliance matters, including the retention of compliance personnel; and (iii) ongoing efforts to enhance the compliance program.

Based on all of the information considered and the conclusions reached, the Board determined that the continuation of the Agreement is in the best interests of the Fund. In making this determination, the Board did not give particular weight to any single factor identified above and individual Independent Trustees may have weighed these factors differently in reaching their individual decisions to approve the continuation of the Agreement. The Board considered these factors over the course of numerous meetings, certain of which were in executive session with only the Independent Trustees and counsel present.

