Annual Report

Deutsche DWS Investments VIT Funds

DWS Equity 500 Index VIP



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Stocks may decline in value. Various factors, including costs, cash flows and security selection, may cause the Fund's performance to differ from that of the index. Investing in derivatives entails special risks relating to liquidity, leverage and credit that may reduce returns and/or increase volatility. The Fund may lend securities to approved institutions. Please read the prospectus for details.

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Performance Summary

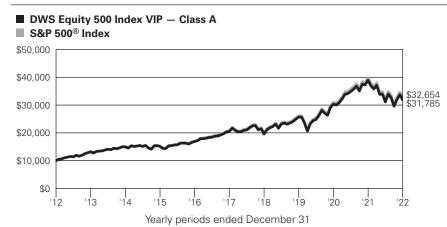
December 31, 2022 (Unaudited)

Fund performance shown is historical, assumes reinvestment of all dividend and capital gain distributions, and does not guarantee future results. Investment return and principal value fluctuate with changing market conditions so that, when redeemed, shares may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data quoted. Please contact your participating insurance company for the Fund's most recent monthend performance. Performance figures for Classes A, B and B2 differ because each class maintains a distinct expense structure. Performance does not reflect charges and fees ("contract charges") associated with the separate account that invests in the Fund or any variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract for which the Fund is an investment option. These charges and fees will reduce returns.

The gross expense ratios of the Fund, as stated in the fee table of the prospectus dated May 1, 2022 are 0.32%, 0.71% and 0.72% for Class A, Class B and Class B2 shares, respectively, and may differ from the expense ratios disclosed in the Financial Highlights tables in this report.

Generally accepted accounting principles require adjustments to be made to the net assets of the Fund at period end for financial reporting purposes only, and as such, the total return based on the unadjusted net asset value per share may differ from the total return reported in the financial highlights.

Growth of an Assumed \$10,000 Investment



S&P 500® Index is an unmanaged, capitalization-weighted index of 500 stocks. The index is designed to measure performance of the broad domestic economy through changes in the aggregate market value of 500 stocks representing all major industries.

Index returns do not reflect any fees or expenses and it is not possible to invest directly into an index.

Comparative Results

DWS Equity 500 Index VIP		1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year
Class A	Growth of \$10,000	\$8,166	\$12,382	\$15,489	\$31,785
	Average annual total return	-18.34%	7.38%	9.14%	12.26%
S&P 500 Index	Growth of \$10,000	\$8,189	\$12,479	\$15,688	\$32,654
	Average annual total return	-18.11%	7.66%	9.42%	12.56%
DWS Equity 500 Index VIP		1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year
Class B	Growth of \$10,000	\$8,138	\$12,245	\$15,209	\$30,792
	Average annual total return	-18.62%	6.98%	8.75%	11.90%
S&P 500 Index	Growth of \$10,000	\$8,189	\$12,479	\$15,688	\$32,654
	Average annual total return	-18.11%	7.66%	9.42%	12.56%
DWS Equity 500 Index VIP		1-Year	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year
Class B2	Growth of \$10,000	\$8,136	\$12,237	\$15,187	\$30,596
	Average annual total return	-18.64%	6.96%	8.72%	11.83%
S&P 500 Index	Growth of \$10,000	\$8,189	\$12,479	\$15,688	\$32,654
	Average annual total return	-18.11%	7.66%	9.42%	12.56%

The growth of \$10,000 is cumulative.

The Fund returned –18.34% in 2022 (Class A shares, unadjusted for contract charges) while the Standard & Poor's 500® (S&P 500) Index returned –18.11%. Since the Fund's investment strategy is to replicate the performance of the index, its return is normally close to that of the index. The difference in performance is typically driven by transaction costs and Fund expenses. The Fund periodically invested in equity index futures to keep the portfolio's positioning in line with that of the index. This strategy had a neutral impact on performance.

U.S. equities suffered a sizable loss in 2022, breaking a streak of three consecutive years with double-digit returns. While a number of developments conspired to depress performance, a sharp increase in inflation — and the U.S. Federal Reserve's (Fed's) effort to contain the price pressures — were the primary factors in the market downturn. Inflation, which had already begun to rise in late 2021, accelerated in the wake of Russia's invasion of Ukraine in February. Consumer price inflation, after staying in a range of 0% to 3% over the previous decade, rose above 8% in March 2022 and ultimately reached a peak of 9.1% in June.

The Fed responded with its most aggressive series of interest-rate increases since the early 1980s, raising rates seven separate times over the course of the year to move the fed funds rate from 0.0%–0.25% to 4.25%–4.50%. The pronounced increase in rates, in addition to weighing on investor sentiment and putting downward pressure on equities' valuations, fueled worries about the potential for slowing economic growth and weaker corporate earnings in 2023. Geopolitical events were another headwind for market performance. Russia's invasion of Ukraine not only fueled inflation, but it also raised concerns that Europe was headed for a recession — a negative for many of the multinational companies represented in the S&P 500 Index.

Rising interest rates generally had the largest adverse effect on the most growth-oriented segments of the market, particularly the information technology sector. Investors discount future earnings to today's dollars using current interest rates, which reduces the value of profits expected to occur further in the future. This was an especially large headwind for the technology sector, where there is an above-average representation of more speculative companies with limited current profits. The pain was felt even by the sector's mega-cap companies, however, which had a large effect on the index given their sizable weightings. The underperformance for technology-related stocks spilled over into the consumer discretionary sector, where Tesla, Inc., and Amazon.com, Inc. were notable laggards, as well as communications services, which was dragged down by poor returns for Alphabet, Inc. (parent of Google) and Meta Platforms, Inc. (formerly Facebook).

The energy sector was a bright spot in 2022, gaining over 60% despite the weakness in the market as a whole. Crude oil prices climbed sharply in the first half of the year, boosting the profits of the related companies. Energy stocks were also helped by elevated demand for assets seen as having the ability to hold up well through periods of higher inflation. In addition, many companies in the sector continued to display improving capital discipline and an increased focus on shareholder returns.

Defensive stocks also held up well in 2022. The persistent worries about inflation, interest rates, and the economy prompted investors to gravitate to companies that could maintain stable earnings in a time of macroeconomic headwinds. Utilities finished the year with a gain as a group, reflecting the essential nature of their services and contracts that allow many companies to pass on inflation. Consumer staples was an additional bright spot, since food, beverage, and personal care products typically feature steady demand profiles. Healthcare stocks also performed well as a group, but the gains were concentrated in a relatively limited number of pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and managed-care providers. The more cyclical industrials, materials, and financials sectors, while losing ground in absolute terms, also held up better than the overall market.

Brent Reeder

Senior Vice President, Northern Trust Investments, Inc., Subadvisor to the Fund Portfolio Manager

The views expressed reflect those of the portfolio management team only through the end of the period of the report as stated on the cover. The management team's views are subject to change at any time based on market and other conditions and should not be construed as a recommendation. Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Current and future portfolio holdings are subject to risk.

Terms to Know

The **Standard & Poor's 500 (S&P 500) Index** is an unmanaged, capitalization weighted index of 500 stocks. The index is designed to measure performance of the broad domestic economy through changes in the aggregate market value of 500 stocks representing all major industries.

Index returns do not reflect any fees or expenses and it is not possible to invest directly into an index.

Contribution and detraction incorporate both an investment's total return and its weighting in the Fund.

Consumer discretionary stocks represent companies that make and market goods and services that are considered non-essential. Sub-categories within the consumer discretionary sector include retailers, media, consumer services, consumer durables & apparel, and automobiles.

Consumer staples stocks represent companies that make products purchased by consumers on a regular basis, such as food and beverages, prescription drugs, and household products. In the aggregate, sales of consumer staples tend to be steady and less sensitive to economic fluctuations.

Futures contracts are contractual agreements to buy or sell a particular commodity or financial instrument at a predetermined price in the future.

Asset Allocation (As a % of Investment Portfolio excluding Securities Lending Collateral)	12/31/22	12/31/2
Common Stocks	100%	1009
Cash Equivalents	0%	0%
Short-Term U.S. Treasury Obligation	0%	09
	100%	1009
Sector Diversification (As a % of Common Stocks)	12/31/22	12/31/2
nformation Technology	26%	29%
Health Care	16%	13%
Financials	12%	11%
Consumer Discretionary	10%	12%
ndustrials	8%	8%
Communication Services	7%	10%
Consumer Staples	7%	6%
Energy	5%	3%
Jtilities	3%	2%
Materials	3%	3%
Real Estate	3%	39
	100%	100%
Ten Largest Equity Holdings at December 31, 2022 (25.4% of Net Assets) 1 Apple, Inc.		6.0%
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 Apple, Inc. Designs, manufactures and markets personal computers and related computing and mobile-communic. Microsoft Corp. Develops, manufactures, licenses, sells and supports software products Alphabet, Inc. Holding company with subsidiaries that provide Web-based search, maps, hardware products and vario software applications Amazon.com, Inc. Online retailer offering a wide range of products Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. 		5.6% 3.1% 2.3%
 1 Apple, Inc. Designs, manufactures and markets personal computers and related computing and mobile-communic. 2 Microsoft Corp. Develops, manufactures, licenses, sells and supports software products 3 Alphabet, Inc. Holding company with subsidiaries that provide Web-based search, maps, hardware products and vario software applications 4 Amazon.com, Inc. Online retailer offering a wide range of products 5 Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. Holding company of insurance business and a variety of other businesses 6 UnitedHealth Group, Inc. 		5.6% 3.1% 2.3% 1.7%
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Portfolio holdings and characteristics are subject to change.

For more complete details about the Fund's investment portfolio, see page 7.

Designs, develops and markets three dimensional (3D) graphic processors

Following the Fund's fiscal first and third quarter-end, a complete portfolio holdings listing is posted on dws.com, and is available free of charge by contacting your financial intermediary, or if you are a direct investor, by calling (800) 728-3337. In addition, the portfolio holdings listing is filed with the SEC on the Fund's Form N-PORT and will be available on the SEC's Web site at sec.gov. Additional portfolio holdings for the Fund are also posted on dws.com from time to time. Please see the Fund's current prospectus for more information.

_	Shares	Value (\$)	_	Shares	Value (\$)
Common Stocks 99.6%			Distributors 0.2%		
Communication Services 7.	2%		Genuine Parts Co.	2,629	456,158
Diversified Telecommunication S	ervices 0.9%		LKQ Corp.	4,793	255,994
AT&T, Inc.	133,170	2,451,660	Pool Corp.	719	217,375
Lumen Technologies, Inc.	18,289	95,468			929,527
Verizon Communications, Inc.	78,404	3,089,118	Hatala Bastannanta 8 I sianna 26	NO/	020,027
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		5,636,246	Booking Holdings, Inc.*	724	1,459,063
Entertainment 1.3%			Caesars Entertainment, Inc.* Carnival Corp.*	3,984	165,734
Activision Blizzard, Inc.	13,294	1,017,655	•	18,409	148,377
Electronic Arts, Inc.	4,910	599,904	Chipotle Mexican Grill, Inc.*	514	713,170
Live Nation Entertainment,	0 = 4.0		Darden Restaurants, Inc.	2,299	318,021
Inc.*	2,712	189,135	Domino's Pizza, Inc.	675	233,820
Netflix, Inc.*	8,314	2,451,632	Expedia Group, Inc.*	2,851	249,748
Take-Two Interactive Software, Inc.*	2,937	205 920	Hilton Worldwide Holdings, Inc.	5,061	639,508
Walt Disney Co.*	34,035	305,830	Las Vegas Sands Corp.*	6,173	296,736
•		2,956,961	Marriott International, Inc. "A"	5,022	747,726
Warner Bros Discovery, Inc.*	41,029	388,955	McDonald's Corp.	13,667	3,601,664
		7,910,072	MGM Resorts International	5,911	198,196
Interactive Media & Services 4.0	%		Norwegian Cruise Line	5,911	190,190
Alphabet, Inc. "A"*	111,620	9,848,233	Holdings Ltd.*	7,906	96,769
Alphabet, Inc. "C"*	98,896	8,775,042	Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd.*	4,098	202,564
Match Group, Inc.*	5,347	221,847	Starbucks Corp.	21,481	2,130,915
Meta Platforms, Inc. "A"*	42,007	5,055,122	Wynn Resorts Ltd.*	1,928	159,002
	-	23,900,244	Yum! Brands, Inc.	5,253	672,804
Media 0.8%		_0,000,	·		12,033,817
Charter Communications, Inc.					12,033,017
"A"*	2,003	679,217	Household Durables 0.4%	= 000	= 40 = 0=
Comcast Corp. "A"	80,539	2,816,449	D.R. Horton, Inc.	5,820	518,795
DISH Network Corp. "A"*	4,574	64,219	Garmin Ltd.	2,910	268,564
Fox Corp. "A"	5,788	175,782	Lennar Corp. "A"	4,786	433,133
Fox Corp. "B"	2,731	77,697	Mohawk Industries, Inc.*	953	97,416
Interpublic Group of	2,70	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	Newell Brands, Inc.	6,800	88,944
Companies, Inc.	7,127	237,400	NVR, Inc.*	55	253,692
News Corp. "A"	7,160	130,312	PulteGroup, Inc.	4,331	197,190
News Corp. "B"	2,250	41,490	Whirlpool Corp.	1,031	145,845
Omnicom Group, Inc.	3,773	307,764			2,003,579
Paramount Global "B" (a)	9,581	161,727	Internet & Direct Marketing Retain	il 2.4%	
	_	4,692,057	Amazon.com, Inc.*	165,836	13,930,224
		4,032,037	eBay, Inc.	10,246	424,902
Wireless Telecommunication Ser			Etsy, Inc.*	2,378	284,837
T-Mobile U.S., Inc.*	11,198	1,567,720	//	,	14,639,963
Consumer Discretionary 9.8	3%		Lainne Burdonta 0.00/		14,039,903
Auto Components 0.1%			Leisure Products 0.0%	2.405	450.000
Aptiv PLC*	5,030	468,444	Hasbro, Inc.	2,495	152,220
BorgWarner, Inc.	4,265	171,666	Multiline Retail 0.5%		
	-	640,110	Dollar General Corp.	4,219	1,038,929
A 4 11 4 60/		0.0,110	Dollar Tree, Inc.*	3,934	556,425
Automobiles 1.3%	70.500	055.004	Target Corp.	8,631	1,286,364
Ford Motor Co.	73,536	855,224			2,881,718
General Motors Co.	26,627	895,732	Specialty Retail 2.4%		•
Tesla, Inc.*	50,168	6,179,694	Advance Auto Parts, Inc.	1,142	167,908
		7,930,650	, availed / ato / arts, inc.	1,172	. 37,000

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AutoZone, Inc.*	354	873,028	Household Products 1.6%		
Bath & Body Works, Inc.	4,224	177,999	Church & Dwight Co., Inc.	4,587	369,758
Best Buy Co., Inc.	3,804	305,119	Clorox Co.	2,296	322,198
CarMax, Inc.*	2,875	175,059	Colgate-Palmolive Co.	15,582	1,227,706
Home Depot, Inc.	19,131	6,042,718	Kimberly-Clark Corp.	6,273	851,560
Lowe's Companies, Inc.	11,589	2,308,992	Procter & Gamble Co.	44,292	6,712,895
O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.*	1,168	985,827			9,484,117
Ross Stores, Inc.	6,519	756,660	D 1 D 1 1 0 00/		3,404,117
TJX Companies, Inc.	21,671	1,725,011	Personal Products 0.2%		
Tractor Supply Co.	2,046	460,289	Estee Lauder Companies, Inc. "A"	4,315	1,070,595
Ulta Beauty, Inc.*	953	447,024		4,010	1,070,000
		14,425,634	Tobacco 0.8%	22 506	1 521 550
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Good	ds 0.5%		Altria Group, Inc.	33,506	1,531,559
NIKE, Inc. "B"	23,548	2,755,352	Philip Morris International, Inc.	28,965	2,931,548
Ralph Lauren Corp.	752	79,464		20,000	
Tapestry, Inc.	4,615	175,739	_		4,463,107
VF Corp.	6,361	175,627	Energy 5.2%		
	-	3,186,182	Energy Equipment & Services 0.4	%	
Consumer Staples 7.2%		0,111,111	Baker Hughes Co.	18,821	555,784
			Halliburton Co.	16,855	663,244
Beverages 1.9%			Schlumberger Ltd.	26,527	1,418,134
Brown-Forman Corp. "B"	3,454	226,859			2,637,162
Coca-Cola Co.	72,654	4,621,521	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels 4.8%	6	
Constellation Brands, Inc. "A"	3,053	707,533	APA Corp.	6,130	286,148
Keurig Dr Pepper, Inc.	15,824	564,284	Chevron Corp.	33,242	5,966,607
Molson Coors Beverage Co. "B"	3,543	182,535	ConocoPhillips	23,252	2,743,736
Monster Beverage Corp.*	7,171	728,071	Coterra Energy, Inc.	14,637	359,631
PepsiCo, Inc.	25,738	4,649,827	Devon Energy Corp.	12,204	750,668
. opered,e.	20,700	11,680,630	Diamondback Energy, Inc.	3,281	448,775
		11,000,030	EOG Resources, Inc.	10,987	1,423,036
Food & Staples Retailing 1.5%			EQT Corp.	6,908	233,698
Costco Wholesale Corp.	8,275	3,777,538	Exxon Mobil Corp.	76,976	8,490,453
Kroger Co.	12,141	541,246	Hess Corp.	5,220	740,300
Sysco Corp.	9,456	722,911	Kinder Morgan, Inc.	36,990	668,779
Walgreens Boots Alliance, Inc.	13,284	496,290	Marathon Oil Corp.	11,684	316,286
Walmart, Inc.	26,375	3,739,711	Marathon Petroleum Corp.	8,748	1,018,180
valitate, ino.	20,070		Occidental Petroleum Corp.	13,573	854,963
		9,277,696	ONEOK, Inc.	8,431	553,917
Food Products 1.2%			Phillips 66	8,819	917,882
Archer-Daniels-Midland Co.	10,276	954,126	Pioneer Natural Resources	4.450	1 010 201
Campbell Soup Co.	3,769	213,891	Co.	4,459	1,018,391
Conagra Brands, Inc.	8,853	342,611	Targa Resources Corp. Valero Energy Corp.	4,233 7,202	311,125
General Mills, Inc.	11,138	933,921	Williams Companies, Inc.	22,596	913,646 743,408
Hormel Foods Corp.	5,405	246,198	vvillariis Companies, inc.	22,330	
Kellogg Co.	4,774	340,100			28,759,629
Kraft Heinz Co.	14,734	599,821	Financials 11.6%		
Lamb Weston Holdings, Inc.	2,713	242,434	Banks 3.8%		
McCormick & Co., Inc. Mondelez International, Inc.	4,717	390,992	Bank of America Corp.	130,449	4,320,471
"A"	25,601	1,706,307	Citigroup, Inc.	36,243	1,639,271
The Hershey Co.	2,746	635,891	Citizens Financial Group, Inc.	9,279	365,314
The J.M. Smucker Co.	2,002	317,237	Comerica, Inc.	2,454	164,050
Tyson Foods, Inc. "A"	5,436	338,391	Fifth Third Bancorp.	12,813	420,395
•	-	7,261,920	First Republic Bank	3,395	413,817
		.,_0.,520	Huntington Bancshares, Inc.	26,952	380,023

	Shares	Value (\$)	_	Shares	Value (\$)
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	54,808	7,349,753	Arch Capital Group Ltd.*	6,896	432,931
KeyCorp.	17,468	304,293	Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.	3,926	740,208
M&T Bank Corp.	3,244	470,575	Assurant, Inc.	1,011	126,436
PNC Financial Services			Brown & Brown, Inc.	4,329	246,623
Group, Inc.	7,514	1,186,761	Chubb Ltd.	7,773	1,714,724
Regions Financial Corp.	17,681	381,202	Cincinnati Financial Corp.	2,983	305,429
Signature Bank	1,184	136,420	Everest Re Group Ltd.	748	247,790
SVB Financial Group*	1,109	255,225	Globe Life, Inc.	1,644	198,184
Truist Financial Corp.	24,701	1,062,884	Hartford Financial Services		
U.S. Bancorp.	25,167	1,097,533	Group, Inc.	5,903	447,624
Wells Fargo & Co.	71,218	2,940,591	Lincoln National Corp.	2,884	88,596
Zions Bancorp. NA	2,813	138,287	Loews Corp.	3,779	220,429
		23,026,865	Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc.	9,281	1,535,820
Capital Markets 3.1%			MetLife, Inc.	12,278	888,559
Ameriprise Financial, Inc.	1,972	614,022	Principal Financial Group, Inc.	4,315	362,115
Bank of New York Mellon			Progressive Corp.	10,904	1,414,358
Corp.	13,642	620,984	Prudential Financial, Inc.	6,853	681,599
BlackRock, Inc.	2,805	1,987,707	Travelers Companies, Inc.	4,408	826,456
Cboe Global Markets, Inc.	1,957	245,545	W.R. Berkley Corp.	3,805	276,129
Charles Schwab Corp.	28,567	2,378,488	Willis Towers Watson PLC	2,003	489,894
CME Group, Inc.	6,751	1,135,248	VVIIIS TOWERS VVIISONT EG	2,000	
FactSet Research Systems,	=				14,711,603
Inc.	712	285,662	Health Care 15.8%		
Franklin Resources, Inc.	5,380	141,924	Biotechnology 2.5%		
Intercontinental Exchange, Inc.	10,386	1,065,500	AbbVie, Inc.	33,056	5,342,180
Invesco Ltd.	8,638	155,398	Amgen, Inc.	9,958	2,615,369
MarketAxess Holdings, Inc.	698	194,665	Biogen, Inc.*	2,676	741,038
Moody's Corp.	2,928	815,799	Gilead Sciences, Inc.	23,475	2,015,329
Morgan Stanley	24,644	2,095,233	Incyte Corp.*	3,434	275,819
MSCI, Inc.	1,484	690,312	Moderna, Inc.*	6,173	1,108,794
Nasdag, Inc.	6,314	387,364	Regeneron Pharmaceuticals,		
Northern Trust Corp.	3,877	343,076	Inc.*	1,994	1,438,651
Raymond James Financial,	3,077	343,070	Vertex Pharmaceuticals, Inc.*	4,813	1,389,898
Inc.	3,593	383,912			14,927,078
S&P Global, Inc.	6,218	2,082,657	Health Care Equipment & Supplie	es 2 8%	
State Street Corp.	6,913	536,241	Abbott Laboratories	32,575	3,576,409
T. Rowe Price Group, Inc.	4,217	459,906	Align Technology, Inc.*	1,339	282,395
The Goldman Sachs Group,			Baxter International, Inc.	9,340	476,060
Inc.	6,331	2,173,939	Becton, Dickinson & Co.	5,328	1,354,910
		18,793,582	Boston Scientific Corp.*	26,660	1,233,558
Consumer Finance 0.5%			DENTSPLY SIRONA, Inc.	4,151	132,168
American Express Co.	11,199	1,654,652	DexCom, Inc.*	7,206	816,008
Capital One Financial Corp.	7,193	668,662	Edwards Lifesciences Corp.*	11,535	860,626
Discover Financial Services	5,089	497,857	Hologic, Inc.*	4,725	353,477
Synchrony Financial	8,384	275,498	IDEXX Laboratories, Inc.*	1,548	631,522
Syntamony i mandar	0,004		Intuitive Surgical, Inc.*	6,597	1,750,514
		3,096,669	Medtronic PLC	24,851	1,931,420
Diversified Financial Services 1.7%			ResMed, Inc.	2,724	566,946
Berkshire Hathaway, Inc. "B"*	33,686	10,405,605	STERIS PLC	1,880	347,217
Insurance 2.5%			Stryker Corp.	6,309	1,542,487
Aflac, Inc.	10,531	757,600	Teleflex, Inc.	890	222,171
Allstate Corp.	4,932	668,779	The Cooper Companies, Inc.	907	299,918
American International Group,			Zimmer Biomet Holdings, Inc.	3,906	498,015
Inc.	13,888	878,277			16,875,821
Aon PLC "A"	3,875	1,163,043			-,

_	Shares	Value (\$)	_	Shares	Value (\$)
Health Care Providers & Service	es 3.7%		Huntington Ingalls Industries,	750	170 700
AmerisourceBergen Corp.	3,028	501,770	Inc.	753	173,702
Cardinal Health, Inc.	4,909	377,355	L3Harris Technologies, Inc.	3,532	735,398
Centene Corp.*	10,569	866,764	Lockheed Martin Corp.	4,366	2,124,015
Cigna Corp.	5,715	1,893,608	Northrop Grumman Corp.	2,699	1,472,601
CVS Health Corp.	24,552	2,288,001	Raytheon Technologies Corp.	27,527	2,778,025
DaVita, Inc.*	1,043	77,881	Textron, Inc.	3,853	272,792
Elevance Health, Inc.	4,466	2,290,924	TransDigm Group, Inc.	960	604,464
HCA Healthcare, Inc.	3,953	948,562			11,461,639
Henry Schein, Inc.*	2,543	203,109	Air Freight & Logistics 0.6%		
Humana, Inc.	2,356	1,206,720	C.H. Robinson Worldwide,		
Laboratory Corp. of America	1.054	000 404	Inc.	2,141	196,030
Holdings	1,654	389,484	Expeditors International of	2.005	200 102
McKesson Corp.	2,641	990,692	Washington, Inc.	2,965	308,123
Molina Healthcare, Inc.*	1,086	358,619	FedEx Corp.	4,441	769,181
Quest Diagnostics, Inc.	2,162	338,223	United Parcel Service, Inc. "B"	13,624	2,368,396
UnitedHealth Group, Inc.	17,470	9,262,244			3,641,730
Universal Health Services, Inc. "B"	1,245	175,408	Airlines 0.2%		
	.,=	22,169,364	Alaska Air Group, Inc.*	2,403	103,185
		22,109,304	American Airlines Group,		
Life Sciences Tools & Services 1			Inc.*	12,215	155,375
Agilent Technologies, Inc.	5,500	823,075	Delta Air Lines, Inc.*	11,847	389,292
Bio-Rad Laboratories, Inc.	440	170.000	Southwest Airlines Co.*	11,033	371,481
"A"*	413	173,662	United Airlines Holdings, Inc.*	6,078	229,141
Bio-Techne Corp. Charles River Laboratories	2,940	243,667			1,248,474
International, Inc.*	969	211,145	Building Products 0.4%		
Danaher Corp.	12,233	3,246,883	A.O. Smith Corp.	2,445	139,952
Illumina, Inc.*	2,924	591,233	Allegion PLC	1,610	169,468
IQVIA Holdings, Inc.*	3,468	710,558	Carrier Global Corp.	15,705	647,831
Mettler-Toledo International,	2,133		Johnson Controls		
Inc.*	419	605,644	International PLC	12,922	827,008
PerkinElmer, Inc.	2,339	327,975	Masco Corp.	4,298	200,588
Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.	7,322	4,032,152	Trane Technologies PLC	4,274	718,417
Waters Corp.*	1,115	381,977			2,703,264
West Pharmaceutical			Commercial Services & Supplies	0.5%	
Services, Inc.	1,392	327,607	Cintas Corp.	1,611	727,560
		11,675,578	Copart, Inc.*	7,995	486,815
Pharmaceuticals 4.9%			Republic Services, Inc.	3,829	493,903
Bristol-Myers Squibb Co.	39,737	2,859,077	Rollins, Inc.	4,432	161,945
Catalent, Inc.*	3,379	152,089	Waste Management, Inc.	6,950	1,090,316
Eli Lilly & Co.	14,744	5,393,945	ğ ,	· -	2,960,539
Johnson & Johnson	48,831	8,625,996			2,300,553
Merck & Co., Inc.	47,385	5,257,366	Construction & Engineering 0.1%		
Organon & Co.	4,721	131,858	Quanta Services, Inc.	2,698	384,465
Pfizer, Inc.	104,878	5,373,949	Electrical Equipment 0.6%		
Viatris, Inc.	22,510	250,536	AMETEK, Inc.	4,312	602,472
Zoetis, Inc.	8,737	1,280,407	Eaton Corp. PLC	7,467	1,171,946
		29,325,223	Emerson Electric Co.	11,003	1,056,948
In december 0.00/		20,020,220	Generac Holdings, Inc.*	1,192	119,987
Industrials 8.6%			Rockwell Automation, Inc.	2,124	547,079
Aerospace & Defense 1.9%					3,498,432
Boeing Co.*	10,477	1,995,764	Industrial Conglomerates 0.9%		
General Dynamics Corp.	4,189	1,039,333	3M Co.	10,314	1,236,855
Howmet Aerospace, Inc.	6,738	265,545		-,	,,

	Shares	Value (\$)		Shares	Value (\$)
General Electric Co.	20,394	1,708,813	Electronic Equipment, Instrumen	ts &	
Honeywell International, Inc.	12,537	2,686,679	Components 0.6%	13 0	
	_	5,632,347	Amphenol Corp. "A"	11,172	850,636
Machinery 1.9%		,,,,,	CDW Corp.	2,524	450,736
Caterpillar, Inc.	9,728	2,330,439	Corning, Inc.	14,242	454,890
Cummins, Inc.	2,648	641,584	Keysight Technologies, Inc.*	3,361	574,966
Deere & Co.	5,133	2,200,825	TE Connectivity Ltd.	5,903	677,664
Dover Corp.	2,663	360,597	Teledyne Technologies, Inc.*	874	349,521
Fortive Corp.	6,619	425,271	Trimble, Inc.*	4,655	235,357
IDEX Corp.	1,418	323,772	Zebra Technologies Corp. "A"*	975	250,000
Illinois Tool Works, Inc.	5,205	1,146,661			3,843,770
Ingersoll Rand, Inc.	7,606	397,413	IT Services 4.4%		0,000,00
Nordson Corp.	979	232,728	Accenture PLC "A"	11,768	3,140,173
Otis Worldwide Corp.	7,828	613,011			
PACCAR, Inc.	6,443	637,664	Akamai Technologies, Inc.*	2,951	248,769
Parker-Hannifin Corp.	2,409	701,019	Automatic Data Processing, Inc.	7,737	1,848,060
Pentair PLC	3,145	141,462	Broadridge Financial	7,707	1,040,000
Snap-on, Inc.	969	221,407	Solutions, Inc.	2,170	291,062
Stanley Black & Decker, Inc.	2,732	205,228	Cognizant Technology	•	•
Westinghouse Air Brake	2,732	200,220	Solutions Corp. "A"	9,620	550,168
Technologies Corp.	3,422	341,550	DXC Technology Co.*	4,366	115,699
Xylem, Inc.	3,358	371,294	EPAM Systems, Inc.*	1,064	348,715
Ayloni, me.			Fidelity National Information		
		11,291,925	Services, Inc.	11,065	750,760
Professional Services 0.4%			Fiserv, Inc.*	11,908	1,203,542
CoStar Group, Inc.*	7,591	586,633	FleetCorTechnologies, Inc.*	1,401	257,336
Equifax, Inc.	2,305	448,000	Gartner, Inc.*	1,481	497,823
Jacobs Solutions, Inc.	2,392	287,207	Global Payments, Inc.	5,026	499,182
Leidos Holdings, Inc.	2,570	270,338	International Business	40.000	0.000.477
Robert Half International, Inc.	2,047	151,130	Machines Corp.	16,896	2,380,477
Verisk Analytics, Inc.	2,927	516,381	Jack Henry & Associates, Inc.	1,373	241,044
		2,259,689	Mastercard, Inc. "A"	15,875	5,520,214
Road & Rail 0.9%			Paychex, Inc.	5,964	689,200
CSX Corp.	39,316	1,218,010	PayPal Holdings, Inc.*	21,294	1,516,559
J.B. Hunt Transport Services,	00,010	1,210,010	VeriSign, Inc.*	1,733	356,028
Inc.	1,553	270,781	Visa, Inc. "A"	30,544	6,345,821
Norfolk Southern Corp.	4,332	1,067,492			26,800,632
Old Dominion Freight Line,			Semiconductors & Semiconductor	or	
Inc.	1,704	483,561	Equipment 5.1%		
Union Pacific Corp.	11,504	2,382,133	Advanced Micro Devices,		
	_	5,421,977	Inc.*	30,041	1,945,756
Trading Companies & Distribute	arc 0.2%		Analog Devices, Inc.	9,609	1,576,164
Fastenal Co.	10,626	502,822	Applied Materials, Inc.	16,075	1,565,384
United Rentals, Inc.*	1,283	456,004	Broadcom, Inc.	7,570	4,232,614
W.W. Grainger, Inc.	843	468,919	Enphase Energy, Inc.*	2,523	668,494
vv.vv. Grainger, inc.	043		First Solar, Inc.*	1,855	277,860
		1,427,745	Intel Corp.	77,104	2,037,859
Information Technology 25	.6%		KLA Corp.	2,644	996,867
Communications Equipment 0.	9%		Lam Research Corp.	2,551	1,072,185
Arista Networks, Inc.*	4,594	557,482	Microchip Technology, Inc.	10,302	723,716
Cisco Systems, Inc.	76,685	3,653,273	Micron Technology, Inc.	20,313	1,015,244
F5, Inc.*	1,111	159,440	Monolithic Power Systems,	843	200 002
Juniper Networks, Inc.	6,233	199,207	Inc.		298,093 6 799 017
Motorola Solutions, Inc.	3,134	807,663	NVIDIA Corp. NXP Semiconductors NV	46,524 4,808	6,799,017 759,808
•	_	5,377,065	ON Semiconductor Corp.*	8,082	504,074
		0,077,000	Cit confidentation corp.	0,002	554,674

	Shares	Value (\$)		Shares	Value (\$)
Qorvo, Inc.*	1,936	175,479	LyondellBasell Industries NV		
QUALCOMM, Inc.	20,992	2,307,861	"A"	4,740	393,562
Skyworks Solutions, Inc.	2,990	272,479	PPG Industries, Inc.	4,387	551,621
SolarEdge Technologies, Inc.*	1,042	295,167	Sherwin-Williams Co.	4,408	1,046,151
Teradyne, Inc.	2,965	258,993	The Mosaic Co.	6,407	281,075
Texas Instruments, Inc.	16,939	2,798,662			11,252,761
		30,581,776	Construction Materials 0.1%		
Software 8.3%			Martin Marietta Materials, Inc.	1,171	395,763
Adobe, Inc.*	8,672	2,918,388	Vulcan Materials Co.	2,503	438,300
ANSYS. Inc.*	1,628	393,309		-	834,063
Autodesk, Inc.*	4,047	756,263	0.1. 0.5.1. 0.00/		004,000
Cadence Design Systems,	.,.		Containers & Packaging 0.3%	07.000	004 407
Inc.*	5,136	825,047	Amcor PLC	27,826	331,407
Ceridian HCM Holding, Inc.*	2,878	184,624	Avery Dennison Corp.	1,520	275,120
Fortinet, Inc.*	12,196	596,262	Ball Corp.	5,755	294,311
Gen Digital, Inc.	10,671	228,680	International Paper Co.	6,535	226,307 221,924
Intuit, Inc.	5,274	2,052,746	Packaging Corp. of America Sealed Air Corp.	1,735 2,783	
Microsoft Corp.	139,289	33,404,288	Westrock Co.	2,763 4,725	138,816 166,131
Oracle Corp.	28,716	2,347,246	VVESTIOCK CO.	4,725 -	
Paycom Software, Inc.*	890	276,176			1,654,016
PTC, Inc.*	1,978	237,439	Metals & Mining 0.4%		
Roper Technologies, Inc.	1,990	859,859	Freeport-McMoRan, Inc.	26,616	1,011,408
Salesforce, Inc.*	18,685	2,477,444	Newmont Corp.	14,777	697,474
ServiceNow, Inc.*	3,773	1,464,943	Nucor Corp.	4,787	630,975
Synopsys, Inc.*	2,850	909,976	Steel Dynamics, Inc.	3,115	304,336
Tyler Technologies, Inc.*	786	253,414			2,644,193
		50,186,104	Real Estate 2.7%		
Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals 6.3%			Equity Real Estate Investment Trus	sts	
Apple, Inc.	279,456	36,309,718	(REITs) 2.6%		
Hewlett Packard Enterprise	270,400	30,303,710	Alexandria Real Estate	0.700	402 400
Co.	23,763	379,257	Equities, Inc.	2,763	402,486
HP, Inc.	16,530	444,161	American Tower Corp. AvalonBay Communities, Inc.	8,716	1,846,572 418,660
NetApp, Inc.	4,125	247,748	Boston Properties, Inc.	2,592 2,719	183,750
Seagate Technology Holdings			Camden Properties, Inc.	1,938	216,823
PLC	3,497	183,977	Crown Castle, Inc.	8,056	1,092,716
Western Digital Corp.*	5,847	184,473	Digital Realty Trust, Inc.	5,380	539,453
		37,749,334	Equinix, Inc.	1,729	1,132,547
Materials 2.7%			Equity Residential	6,273	370,107
			Essex Property Trust, Inc.	1,231	260,874
Chemicals 1.9%			Extra Space Storage, Inc.	2,515	370,158
Air Products & Chemicals, Inc.	4,128	1,272,497	Federal Realty Investment	2,0.0	0,0,.00
Albemarle Corp.	2,179	472,538	Trust	1,379	139,334
Celanese Corp.	1,906	194,869	Healthpeak Properties, Inc.	10,175	255,087
CF Industries Holdings, Inc.	3,703	315,496	Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc.	13,376	214,685
Corteva, Inc.	13,298	781,656	Invitation Homes, Inc.	10,811	320,438
Dow, Inc.	13,055	657,842	Iron Mountain, Inc.	5,422	270,287
DuPont de Nemours, Inc.	9,219	632,700	Kimco Realty Corp.	11,621	246,133
Eastman Chemical Co.	2,248	183,077	Mid-America Apartment		
Ecolab, Inc.	4,618	672,196	Communities, Inc.	2,156	338,470
FMC Corp.	2,327	290,410	Prologis, Inc.	17,274	1,947,298
International Flavors &	_,0_,	,	Public Storage	2,935	822,358
Fragrances, Inc.	4,732	496,103	Realty Income Corp.	11,745	744,985
Linde PLC	9,231	3,010,968	Regency Centers Corp.	2,941	183,812
			SBA Communications Corp.	2,017	565,385

_	Shares	Value (\$)	_	Shares	Value (\$)
Simon Property Group, Inc.	6,096	716,158	Dominion Energy, Inc.	15,657	960,087
UDR, Inc.	5,652	218,902	DTE Energy Co.	3,664	430,630
Ventas, Inc.	7,563	340,713	NiSource, Inc.	7,709	211,381
VICI Properties, Inc.	17,850	578,340	Public Service Enterprise	,	,
Vornado Realty Trust	2,966	61,722	Group, Inc.	9,266	567,728
Welltower, Inc.	8,838	579,331	Sempra Energy	5,850	904,059
Weyerhaeuser Co.	13,860	429,660	WEC Energy Group, Inc.	5,845	548,027
	-	15,807,244			5,396,269
Real Estate Management &			Water Utilities 0.1%		
Development 0.1%			American Water Works		
CBRE Group, Inc. "A"*	5,927	456,142	Co., Inc.	3,387	516,247
Utilities 3.2%	•	,	Total Common Stocks (Cost \$25	52,893,592)	600,408,718
Electric Utilities 2.1%					
Alliant Energy Corp.	4.785	264,180		Principal	
American Electric Power Co.,	.,, 00	20.7.00	_	Amount (\$)	Value (\$)
Inc.	9,555	907,247	Short-Term U.S. Treasury	v Obligation	0.2%
Constellation Energy Corp.	6,084	524,502	U.S. Treasury Bills, 4.46% (b),	,	
Duke Energy Corp.	14,425	1,485,631	5/11/2023 (c)		
Edison International	7,096	451,448	(Cost \$910,102)	925,000	910,066
Entergy Corp.	3,831	430,987			
Evergy, Inc.	4,350	273,745		Shares	Value (\$)
Eversource Energy	6,452	540,936	Securities Lending Colla	ateral 0.0%	
Exelon Corp.	18,450	797,593	DWS Government & Agency	itciai 0.0 /0	
FirstEnergy Corp.	10,216	428,459	Securities Portfolio "DWS		
NextEra Energy, Inc.	37,150	3,105,740	Government Cash		
NRG Energy, Inc.	4,165	132,530	Institutional Shares", 4.07%		
PG&E Corp.*	30,079	489,085	(d) (e)	165.065	16E 06E
Pinnacle West Capital Corp.	2,126	161,661	(Cost \$165,065)	165,065	165,065
PPL Corp.	13,642	398,619			
Southern Co.	20,360	1,453,908	Cash Equivalents 0.2%		
Xcel Energy, Inc.	10,185	714,070	DWS Central Cash		
3,77		12,560,341	Management Government		
Gas Utilities 0.0%			Fund, 4.2% (d) (Cost \$1,297,774)	1,297,774	1,297,774
Atmos Energy Corp.	2,572	288,244	(003ε Φ1,207,77 γ	1,207,774	1,207,774
Independent Power & Renewab Producers 0.1%	le Electricity			% of Net Assets	Value (\$)
AES Corp.	12,389	356,308	Total Investment Portfolio		
Multi-Utilities 0.9%			(Cost \$255,266,533)	100.0	602,781,623
Ameren Corp.	4,872	433,218	Other Assets and		
CenterPoint Energy, Inc.	11,880	356,281	Liabilities, Net	0.0	6,126
CMS Energy Corp.	5,504	348,568	Net Assets	100.0	602,787,749
Consolidated Edison, Inc.	6,676	636,290			

A summary of the Fund's transactions with affiliated investments during the year ended December 31, 2022 are as follows:

Value (\$) at 12/31/2021	Purchases Cost (\$)	Sales Proceeds (\$)	Net Realized Gain/ (Loss) (\$)	Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) (\$)	Income (\$)	Capital Gain Distributions (\$)	Number of Shares at 12/31/2022	Value (\$) at 12/31/2022
Securities Lending	Collateral 0.0%	%						
DWS Government &	& Agency Securi	ities Portfolio "DW	/S Government C	ash Institutional S	hares", 4.07% (d)	(e)		
6,745,286	_	6,580,221 (f)	_	_	7,004	_	165,065	165,065
Cash Equivalents 0	0.2%							
DWS Central Cash N	Management G	overnment Fund,	4.2% (d)					
2,447,900	68,451,252	69,601,378			54,294		1,297,774	1,297,774
9,193,186	68,451,252	76,181,599	_	_	61,298	_	1,462,839	1,462,839

- Non-income producing security.
- (a) 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 December 31, 2022 amounted to \$161,525, which is 0.0% of net assets.
- (b) Annualized yield at time of purchase; not a coupon rate.
- (c) At December 31, 2022, this security has been pledged, in whole or in part, to cover initial margin requirements for open futures contracts.
- (d) Affiliated fund managed by DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc. The rate shown is the annualized seven-day yield at period end.
- (e) Represents cash collateral held in connection with securities lending. Income earned by the Fund is net of borrower rebates.
- (f) Represents the net increase (purchase cost) or decrease (sales proceeds) in the amount invested in cash collateral for the year ended December 31, 2022.

S&P: Standard & Poor's

At December 31, 2022, open futures contracts purchased were as follows:

Futures	Currency	Expiration Date	Contracts	Notional Amount (\$)	Notional Value (\$)	Unrealized Depreciation (\$)
S&P 500 E-Mini Index	USD	3/17/2023	14	2,806,484	2,702,700	(103,784)

Currency Abbreviation(s)

USD United States Dollar

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

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 December 31, 2022 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 Financial Statements.

Assets	Level 1		Level 2	Level 3	Total
Common Stocks (a)	\$ 600,408,71	8 \$	Б —	\$ —	\$ 600,408,718
Short-Term U.S. Treasury Obligation	_	_	910,066	_	910,066
Short-Term Investments (a)	1,462,83	9	_	_	1,462,839
Total	\$ 601,871,55	7 \$	910,066	\$ —	\$ 602,781,623
Liabilities	Level	1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Derivatives (b) Futures Contracts	\$ (103,78	4) \$.	\$ —	\$ (103,784)
Total	\$ (103,78	4) \$	—	\$ —	\$ (103,784)

- (a) See Investment Portfolio for additional detailed categorizations.
- (b) Derivatives include unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on open futures contracts.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

as of December 31, 2022

Assets		
Investments in non-affiliated securities, at value (cost \$253,803,694) — including \$161,525 of		
securities loaned	\$	601,318,784
Investment in DWS Government & Agency		105.005
Securities Portfolio (cost \$165,065)*		165,065
Investment in DWS Central Cash Management		4 007 774
Government Fund (cost \$1,297,774)		1,297,774
Cash		66,728
Receivable for Fund shares sold		54,351
Dividends receivable		522,210
Interest receivable		7,903
Other assets		10,011
Total assets		603,442,826
Liabilities		
Payable upon return of securities loaned		165,065
Payable for Fund shares redeemed		233,182
Payable for variation margin on futures contracts		7,476
Accrued management fee		63,379
Accrued Trustees' fees		7,167
Other accrued expenses and payables		178,808
Total liabilities		655,077
Net assets, at value	¢	602,787,749
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	Ψ	002,707,740
Net Assets Consist of	Ψ	
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* Represents collateral on securities loaned.

for the year ended December 31, 2022

Investment Income	
Income:	
Dividends (net of foreign taxes withheld of \$2,525)	\$ 10,434,742
Interest	10,518
Income distributions — DWS Central Cash Management Government Fund	54,294
Securities lending income, net of borrower rebates	7,004
Total income	10,506,558
Expenses:	
Management fee	1,243,365
Administration fee	640,138
Services to shareholders	1,405
Record keeping fee (Class B and Class B-2)	89,400
Distribution service fees (Class B and Class B-2)	159,546
Custodian fee	11,060
Professional fees	76,028
Reports to shareholders	56,231
Trustees' fees and expenses	30,532
Other	36,834
Total expenses before expense reductions	2,344,539
Expense reductions	(380,513)
Total expenses after expense reductions	1,964,026
Net investment income	8,542,532
Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss)	
Net realized gain (loss) from:	
Investments	34,932,079
Futures	(998,005)
	33,934,074
Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:	
Investments	(183,897,021)
Futures	(207,968)
	(184,104,989)
Net gain (loss)	(150,170,915
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	\$(141,628,383)

Statement of Operations

Statements of Changes in Net Assets

Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	Years Ended December 31, 2022 2021	
Operations:		
Net investment income	\$ 8,542,532	\$ 8,114,613
Net realized gain (loss)	33,934,074	38,974,537
Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	(184,104,989)	135,118,220
Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations	(141,628,383)	182,207,370
Distributions to shareholders:		
Class A	(42,243,291)	(37,893,566)
Class B	(3,161,213)	(2,473,191)
Class B2	(1,142,904)	(1,024,797)
Total distributions	(46,547,408)	(41,391,554)
Fund share transactions:		
Class A		
Proceeds from shares sold	24,641,760	19,492,366
Reinvestment of distributions	42,243,291	37,893,566
Payments for shares redeemed	(71,401,621)	(73,018,437)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets from Class A share transactions	(4,516,570)	(15,632,505)
Class B Proceeds from shares sold	8,799,484	10,287,704
Reinvestment of distributions	3,161,213	2,473,191
Payments for shares redeemed	(10,018,364)	(9,108,205)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets from Class B share transactions	1,942,333	3,652,690
Class B2 Proceeds from shares sold	87,831	23,964
Reinvestment of distributions	1,142,904	1,024,797
Payments for shares redeemed	(1,749,644)	(2,589,893)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets from Class B2 share transactions	(518,909)	(1,541,132)
Increase (decrease) in net assets	(191,268,937)	127,294,869
Net assets at beginning of period	794,056,686	666,761,817
Net assets at end of period	\$ 602,787,749	\$794,056,686

Statements of Changes in Net Assets

Other Information	Years Ended De 2022	ecember 31, 2021
Class A		
Shares outstanding at beginning of period	23,787,108	24,298,803
Shares sold	992,800	723,150
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	1,708,871	1,439,178
Shares redeemed	(2,788,878)	(2,674,023)
Net increase (decrease) in Class A shares	(87,207)	(511,695)
Shares outstanding at end of period	23,699,901	23,787,108
Class B		
Shares outstanding at beginning of period	1,814,686	1,675,259
Shares sold	344,087	378,603
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	127,571	93,717
Shares redeemed	(400,408)	(332,893)
Net increase (decrease) in Class B shares	71,250	139,427
Shares outstanding at end of period	1,885,936	1,814,686
Class B2 Shares outstanding at beginning of period	676,257	730,615
Shares sold	3,714	864
Shares issued to shareholders in reinvestment of distributions	46,067	38,789
Shares redeemed	(70,385)	(94,011)
Net increase (decrease) in Class B2 shares	(20,604)	(54,358)
Shares outstanding at end of period	655,653	676,257

Financial Highlights

DWS Equity 500 Index VIP — Class A

		Years Ended December 31,			
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Selected Per Share Data					
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$30.22	\$24.97	\$23.14	\$18.90	\$22.19
Income (loss) from investment operations: Net investment income ^a	.33	.31	.34	.35	.37
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(5.75)	6.55	3.23	5.37	(1.31)
Total from investment operations	(5.42)	6.86	3.57	5.72	(.94)
Less distributions from: Net investment income	(.32)	(.41)	(.39)	(.43)	(.38)
Net realized gains	(1.51)	(1.20)	(1.35)	(1.05)	(1.97)
Total distributions	(1.83)	(1.61)	(1.74)	(1.48)	(2.35)
Net asset value, end of period	\$22.97	\$30.22	\$24.97	\$23.14	\$18.90
Total Return (%) ^b	(18.34)	28.40	18.10	31.19	(4.65)
Ratios to Average Net Assets and Supplemental Data					
Net assets, end of period (\$ millions)	544	719	607	561	472
Ratio of expenses before expense reductions (%)°	.32	.32	.33	.35	.34
Ratio of expenses after expense reductions (%) ^c	.26	.26	.26	.27	.30
Ratio of net investment income (%)	1.33	1.14	1.56	1.68	1.73
Portfolio turnover rate (%)	2	2	4	3	3

^a Based on average shares outstanding during the period.

^b Total return would have been lower had certain expenses not been reduced.

^c Expense ratio does not reflect charges and fees associated with the separate account that invests in the Fund or any variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract for which the Fund is an investment option.

DWS Equity 500 Index VIP — Class B

		Years Ended December 31,			
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Selected Per Share Data					
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$30.20	\$24.95	\$23.12	\$18.89	\$22.17
Income (loss) from investment operations: Net investment income ^a	.24	.21	.26	.28	.29
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(5.74)	6.54	3.23	5.35	(1.29)
Total from investment operations	(5.50)	6.75	3.49	5.63	(1.00)
Less distributions from: Net investment income	(.22)	(.30)	(.31)	(.35)	(.31)
Net realized gains	(1.51)	(1.20)	(1.35)	(1.05)	(1.97)
Total distributions	(1.73)	(1.50)	(1.66)	(1.40)	(2.28)
Net asset value, end of period	\$22.97	\$30.20	\$24.95	\$23.12	\$18.89
Total Return (%) ^b	(18.62)	27.91	17.63	30.66	(4.94)
Ratios to Average Net Assets and Supplemental Data					
Net assets, end of period (\$ millions)	43	55	42	33	21
Ratio of expenses before expense reductions (%)°	.71	.71	.71	.72	.71
Ratio of expenses after expense reductions (%) ^c	.64	.64	.64	.65	.65
Ratio of net investment income (%)	.95	.76	1.17	1.31	1.38
Portfolio turnover rate (%)	2	2	4	3	3

^a Based on average shares outstanding during the period.

b Total return would have been lower had certain expenses not been reduced.

^c Expense ratio does not reflect charges and fees associated with the separate account that invests in the Fund or any variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract for which the Fund is an investment option.

DWS Equity 500 Index VIP — Class B2

		Years Ended December 31,			
	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Selected Per Share Data					
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$30.23	\$24.98	\$23.14	\$18.90	\$22.18
Income (loss) from investment operations: Net investment income ^a	.23	.21	.25	.27	.28
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	(5.74)	6.54	3.24	5.36	(1.30)
Total from investment operations	(5.51)	6.75	3.49	5.63	(1.02)
Less distributions from: Net investment income	(.22)	(.30)	(.30)	(.34)	(.29)
Net realized gains	(1.51)	(1.20)	(1.35)	(1.05)	(1.97)
Total distributions	(1.73)	(1.50)	(1.65)	(1.39)	(2.26)
Net asset value, end of period	\$22.99	\$30.23	\$24.98	\$23.14	\$18.90
Total Return (%) ^b	(18.64)	27.86	17.64	30.64	(5.00)
Ratios to Average Net Assets and Supplemental Data					
Net assets, end of period (\$ millions)	15	20	18	17	15
Ratio of expenses before expense reductions (%) ^c	.71	.72	.72	.74	.73
Ratio of expenses after expense reductions (%) ^c	.65	.65	.65	.67	.70
Ratio of net investment income (%)	.94	.75	1.17	1.28	1.32
Portfolio turnover rate (%)	2	2	4	3	3

^a Based on average shares outstanding during the period.

b Total return would have been lower had certain expenses not been reduced.

^c Expense ratio does not reflect charges and fees associated with the separate account that invests in the Fund or any variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract for which the Fund is an investment option.

Notes to Financial Statements

A. Organization and Significant Accounting Policies

Deutsche DWS Investments VIT Funds (the "Trust") is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), as an open-end management investment company. The Trust is organized as a Massachusetts business trust. DWS Equity 500 Index VIP (the "Fund") is a diversified series of the Trust offered to investors. The Fund is an underlying investment vehicle for variable annuity contracts and variable life insurance policies to be offered by the separate accounts of certain life insurance companies ("Participating Insurance Companies").

Multiple Classes of Shares of Beneficial Interest. The Fund offers three classes of shares (Class A shares, Class B shares and Class B2 shares). Class B and Class B2 shares are subject to Rule 12b-1 distribution fees under the 1940 Act and recordkeeping fees equal to an annual rate of up to 0.25% and of up to 0.15%, respectively, of the average daily net assets of the Class B and Class B2 shares of the Fund. Class A shares are not subject to such fees.

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 (including the applicable 12b-1 distribution fees and recordkeeping fees). Differences in class-level expenses may result in payment of different per share dividends by class. All shares have equal rights with respect to voting subject to class-specific arrangements.

The Fund's 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. 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 financial statements.

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.

Equity securities are valued at the most recent sale price or official closing price reported on the exchange (U.S. or foreign) or over-the-counter market on which they trade. Securities for which no sales are reported are valued at the calculated mean between the most recent bid and asked quotations on the relevant market or, if a mean cannot be determined, at the most recent bid quotation. Equity securities are generally categorized as Level 1.

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.

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 Investment Portfolio.

Securities Lending. Deutsche Bank AG, as 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 either cash or liquid, unencumbered assets having a value at least equal to the value of the securities loaned. When the collateral falls below specified amounts, the 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. As of period end, any securities on loan were collateralized by cash. During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Fund invested the cash collateral into a joint trading account in DWS Government & Agency Securities Portfolio, an affiliated money market fund managed by DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc. DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc. receives a management/administration fee (0.07% annualized effective rate as of December 31, 2022) 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 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 December 31, 2022, the Fund had securities on loan, which were classified as common stocks in the Investment Portfolio. The value of the related collateral exceeded the value of the securities loaned at period end. As of period end, the remaining contractual maturity of the collateral agreements was overnight and continuous.

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

The Fund has reviewed the tax positions for the open tax years as of December 31, 2022 and has determined that no provision for income tax and/or uncertain tax positions is required in the Fund's financial statements. The Fund's federal tax returns for the prior three fiscal years remain open subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service.

Distribution of Income and Gains. Distributions from net investment income of the Fund, if any, are declared and distributed to shareholders annually. 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 certain securities sold at a loss, investments in derivatives, the realized tax character on distributions from certain securities and income related to restructuring of certain securities. 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 December 31, 2022, the Fund's components of distributable earnings (accumulated losses) on a net tax basis were as follows:

Undistributed ordinary income*	\$ 8,557,398
Undistributed long-term capital gains	\$ 33,125,028
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments	\$ 339,748,914

At December 31, 2022, the aggregate cost of investments for federal income tax purposes was \$263,032,713. The net unrealized appreciation for all investments based on tax cost was \$339,748,914. This consisted of aggregate gross unrealized appreciation for all investments for which there was an excess of value over tax cost of \$366,704,412 and aggregate gross unrealized depreciation for all investments for which there was an excess of tax cost over value of \$26,955,498.

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

	Years Ended I	Years Ended December 31,		
	2022	2021		
Distributions from ordinary income*	\$ 8,889,283	\$ 10,689,177		
Distributions from long-term capital gains	\$ 37,658,125	\$ 30,702,377		

^{*} For tax purposes, short-term capital gain distributions are considered ordinary income distributions.

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.

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.

Real Estate Investment Trusts. The Fund at its fiscal year end recharacterizes distributions received from a Real Estate Investment Trust ("REIT") investment based on information provided by the REIT into the following categories: ordinary income, long-term and short-term capital gains, and return of capital. If information is not available timely from a REIT, the recharacterization will be estimated for financial reporting purposes and a recharacterization will be made to the accounting records in the following year when such information becomes available. Distributions received from REITs in excess of income are recorded as either a reduction of cost of investments or realized gains.

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. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date. 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.

B. Derivative Instruments

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 December 31, 2022, the Fund invested in futures to keep cash on hand to meet shareholder redemptions or other needs while maintaining exposure to the stock market.

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. Upon a futures contract close out or expiration, realized gain or loss is recognized.

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 Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

A summary of the open futures contracts as of December 31, 2022, is included in a table following the Fund's Investment Portfolio. For the year ended December 31, 2022, the investment in futures contracts purchased had a total notional value generally indicative of a range from approximately \$2,703,000 to \$4,862,000.

The following tables summarize the value of the Fund's derivative instruments held as of December 31, 2022 and the related location in the accompanying Statement of Assets and Liabilities, presented by primary underlying risk exposure:

Liability Derivative	Futures Contracts
Equity Contracts (a)	\$ (103,784)

The above derivative is located in the following Statement of Assets and Liabilities account:

(a) Includes cumulative depreciation of futures contracts as disclosed in the Investment Portfolio. Unsettled variation margin is disclosed separately within the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Additionally, the amount of unrealized and realized gains and losses on derivative instruments recognized in Fund earnings during the year ended December 31, 2022 and the related location in the accompanying Statement of Operations is summarized in the following tables by primary underlying risk exposure:

Realized Gain (Loss)	Contracts
Equity Contracts (a)	\$ (998,005)
The above derivative is located in the following Statement of Operations account: (a) Net realized gain (loss) from futures contracts	
Change in Net Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	Futures Contracts
Equity Contracts (a)	\$ (207,968)

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The above derivative is located in the following Statement of Operations account:

(a) Change in net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on futures contracts

C. Purchases and Sales of Securities

During the year ended December 31, 2022, purchases and sales of investment securities (excluding short-term investments) aggregated \$12,596,556 and \$53,539,514, respectively.

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 determines the securities, instruments and other contracts relating to investments to be purchased, sold or entered into by the Fund or delegates such responsibility to the Fund's subadvisor. Northern Trust Investments, Inc. ("NTI") serves as subadvisor. As a subadvisor to the Fund, NTI makes investment decisions and buys and sells securities for the Fund. NTI is paid by the Advisor for the services NTI provides to the Fund.

Prior to October 1, 2022, under the Investment Management Agreement with the Advisor, the Fund paid the Advisor an annual fee based on the average daily net assets of the Fund, computed and accrued daily and payable monthly, at the following annual rates:

First \$1 billion of the Fund's average daily net assets	.200%
Next \$1 billion of such net assets	.175%
Over \$2 billion of such net assets	.150%

Effective October 1, 2022, under the Investment Management Agreement with the Advisor, the Fund pays the Advisor an annual fee based on the average daily net assets of the Fund, computed and accrued daily and payable monthly, at the following annual rates:

First \$1 billion of the Fund's average daily net assets	
Next \$1 billion of such net assets	.125%
Over \$2 billion of such net assets	.100%

Accordingly, for the year ended December 31, 2022, the fee pursuant to the Investment Management Agreement was equivalent to an annual rate (exclusive of any applicable waivers/reimbursements) of 0.188% of the Fund's average daily net assets.

For the period from January 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 (through April 30, 2023 for Class B 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 and interest expense) of each class as follows:

Class A	.26%
Class B	.64%
Class B2	.65%

For the year ended December 31, 2022, fees waived and/or expenses reimbursed for each class are as follows:

Class B Class B2	30,539
Class BZ	\$ 380,513

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 December 31, 2022, the Administration Fee was \$640,138, of which \$50,839 is unpaid.

Distribution Service Agreement. DWS Distributors, Inc. ("DDI"), an affiliate of the Advisor, is the Fund's distributor. In accordance with the Distribution Plan, DDI receives 12b-1 fees of up to 0.25% of the average daily net assets of Class B and B2 shares. For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Distribution Service Fees were as follows:

Distribution Service Fees	Total Aggregated	Unpaid at December 31, 2022
Class B	\$ 117,412	\$ 9,383
Class B2	42,134	3,276
	\$ 159,546	\$ 12,659

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") (name changed from DST Systems, Inc. effective January 1, 2023), 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 December 31, 2022, the amounts charged to the Fund by DSC were as follows:

Services to Shareholders	Total Aggregated	Unpaid at December 31, 2022
Class A	\$ 616	\$ 107
Class B	109	18
Class B2	74	12
	\$ 799	\$ 137

Other Service Fees. Under an agreement with the Fund, DIMA is compensated for providing regulatory filing services to the Fund. For the year ended December 31, 2022, the amount charged to the Fund by DIMA included in the Statement of Operations under "Reports to shareholders" aggregated \$6,100, of which \$210 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 and DWS ESG Liquidity Fund, affiliated money market funds which are managed by the Advisor. Each affiliated money market 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. DWS Central Cash Management Government Fund seeks to maintain a stable net asset value, and DWS ESG Liquidity Fund maintains a floating net asset value. The Fund indirectly bears its proportionate share of the expenses of each affiliated money market fund in which it invests. DWS Central Cash Management Government Fund does not pay the Advisor an investment management fee. To the extent that DWS ESG Liquidity Fund pays an investment management fee to the Advisor, the Advisor will waive an amount of the investment management fee payable to the Advisor by the Fund equal to the amount of the investment management fee payable on the Fund's assets invested in DWS ESG Liquidity Fund.

Securities Lending Agent Fees. Deutsche Bank AG serves as securities lending agent for the Fund. For the year ended December 31, 2022, the Fund incurred securities lending agent fees to Deutsche Bank AG in the amount of \$519.

E. Ownership of the Fund

At December 31, 2022, two participating insurance companies were owners of record of 10% or more of the total outstanding Class A shares of the Fund, each owning 52% and 15%, respectively. One participating insurance company was owner of record of 10% or more of the total outstanding Class B shares of the Fund, owning 90%. Two participating insurance companies were the owners of record of 10% or more of the total outstanding Class B2 shares of the Fund, each owning 85% and 15%, respectively.

F. Line of Credit

The Fund and other affiliated funds (the "Participants") share in a \$375 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 33 percent of its net assets under the agreement. The Fund had no outstanding loans at December 31, 2022.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

To the Board of Trustees of Deutsche DWS Investments VIT Funds and Shareholders of DWS Equity 500 Index VIP:

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of assets and liabilities of DWS Equity 500 Index VIP (the "Fund") (one of the funds constituting Deutsche DWS Investments VIT Funds) (the "Trust"), including the investment portfolio, as of December 31, 2022, and the related statement of operations for the year then ended, the statements of changes in net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended, the financial highlights for each of the four 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 financial position of the Fund (one of the funds constituting Deutsche DWS Investments VIT Funds) at December 31, 2022, the results of its operations for the year then ended, the changes in its net assets for each of the two years in the period then ended and its financial highlights for each of the four years in the period then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

The financial highlights for the years ended December 31, 2018, were audited by another independent registered public accounting firm whose report, dated February 14, 2019, expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial highlights.

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 December 31, 2022, 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 February 13, 2023

Information About Your Fund's Expenses

(Unaudited)

As an investor of the Fund, you incur two types of costs: ongoing expenses and transaction costs. Ongoing expenses include management fees, distribution and service (12b-1) fees and other Fund expenses. Examples of transaction costs include contract charges, which are not shown in this section. The following tables are intended to help you understand your ongoing expenses (in dollars) of investing in the Fund and to help you compare these expenses with the ongoing expenses of investing in other mutual funds. In the most recent six-month period, the Fund limited these expenses; had it not done so, expenses would have been higher. The example in the table is based on an investment of \$1,000 invested at the beginning of the six-month period and held for the entire period (July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022).

The tables illustrate your Fund's expenses in two ways:

- **Actual Fund Return**. This helps you estimate the actual dollar amount of ongoing expenses (but not transaction costs) paid on a \$1,000 investment in the Fund using the Fund's actual return during the period. To estimate the expenses you paid over the period, simply divide your account value by \$1,000 (for example, an \$8,600 account value divided by \$1,000 = 8.6), then multiply the result by the number in the "Expenses Paid per \$1,000" line under the share class you hold.
- Hypothetical 5% Fund Return. This helps you to compare your Fund's ongoing expenses (but not transaction costs) with those of other mutual funds using the Fund's actual expense ratio and a hypothetical rate of return of 5% per year before expenses. Examples using a 5% hypothetical fund return may be found in the shareholder reports of other mutual funds. The hypothetical account values and expenses may not be used to estimate the actual ending account balance or expenses you paid for the period.

Please note that the expenses shown in these tables are meant to highlight your ongoing expenses only and do not reflect any transaction costs. The "Expenses Paid per \$1,000" line of the tables is useful in comparing ongoing expenses only and will not help you determine the relative total expense of owning different funds. If these transaction costs had been included, your costs would have been higher.

Expenses and Value of a \$1,000 Investment for the six months ended December 31, 2022

Actual Fund Return	Class A	Class B	Class B2
Beginning Account Value 7/1/22	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Ending Account Value 12/31/22	\$ 1,021.80	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 1,020.00
Expenses Paid per \$1,000*	\$ 1.32	\$ 3.26	\$ 3.31
Hypothetical 5% Fund Return	Class A	Class B	Class B2
Beginning Account Value 7/1/22	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Ending Account Value 12/31/22	\$ 1,023.89	\$ 1,021.98	\$ 1,021.93
Expenses Paid per \$1,000*	\$ 1.33	\$ 3.26	\$ 3.31

^{*} Expenses are equal to the Fund's annualized expense ratio for each share class, multiplied by the average account value over the period, multiplied by 184 (the number of days in the most recent six-month period), then divided by 365.

Annualized Expense Ratios		Class B	Class B2
DWS Equity 500 Index VIP	.26%	.64%	.65%

For more information, please refer to the Fund's prospectus.

These tables do not reflect charges and fees ("contract charges") associated with the separate account that invests in the Fund or any variable life insurance policy or variable annuity contract for which the Fund is an investment option.

For an analysis of the fees associated with an investment in the Fund or similar funds, please refer to the current and hypothetical expense calculators for Variable Insurance Products which can be found at dws.com/calculators.

Tax Information (Unaudited)

The Fund paid distributions of \$1.48 per share from net long-term capital gains during its year ended December 31, 2022.

Pursuant to Section 852 of the Internal Revenue Code, the Fund designates \$36,535,000 as capital gain dividends for its year ended December 31, 2022.

For corporate shareholders, 100% of the ordinary dividends (i.e., income dividends plus short-term capital gains) paid during the Fund's fiscal year ended December 31, 2022, qualified for the dividends received deduction.

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 contact your insurance provider.

Proxy Voting

The Trust's policies and procedures for voting proxies for portfolio securities and information about how the Trust voted proxies related to its portfolio securities during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 are available on our Web site — dws.com/en-us/resources/proxy-voting — or on the SEC's Web site — sec.gov. To obtain a written copy of the Trust's policies and procedures without charge, upon request, call us toll free at (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 Equity 500 Index VIP's (the "Fund") investment management agreement (the "Agreement") with DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc. ("DIMA") and sub-advisory agreement (the "Sub-Advisory Agreement" and together with the Agreement, the "Agreements") between DIMA and Northern Trust Investments, Inc. ("NTI") in September 2022.

In terms of the process that the Board followed prior to approving the Agreements, 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. These materials included an analysis of the Fund's performance, fees and expenses, and profitability from a fee consultant retained by the Fund's Independent Trustees (the "Fee Consultant").
- 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 addition, the Independent Trustees were advised by the Fee Consultant in the course of their review of the Fund's contractual arrangements and considered a comprehensive report prepared by the Fee Consultant in connection with their deliberations.
- In connection with reviewing the Agreements, the Board also reviewed the terms of the Fund's Rule 12b-1 plan, distribution agreement, administrative services agreement, transfer agency agreement and 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. In 2018, approximately 20% of DWS Group's shares were sold in an initial public offering, with Deutsche Bank AG owning the remaining shares.

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 and NTI'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 Agreements, including the scope of advisory services provided under the Agreements. The Board noted that, under the Agreements, DIMA and NTI provide 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. Throughout the course of the year, the Board also received information regarding DIMA's oversight of fund sub-advisors, including NTI. The Board reviewed the Fund's performance over short-term and long-term periods and compared those returns to various agreedupon 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, 2021, the Fund's performance (Class A shares) was in the 2nd quartile, 2nd quartile and 1st quartile, respectively, of the applicable Morningstar universe (the 1st quartile being the best performers and the 4th quartile being the worst performers).

Fees and Expenses. The Board considered the Fund's investment management fee schedule, sub-advisory fee schedule, operating expenses and total expense ratios, and comparative information provided by Broadridge Financial Solutions, Inc. ("Broadridge") and the Fee Consultant 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 (4th quartile) of the applicable Broadridge peer group (based on Broadridge data provided as of December 31, 2021). The Board noted that, effective October 1, 2022, in connection with the 2022 contract renewal process, DIMA agreed to reduce the Fund's contractual management fee at each breakpoint by 0.05%. With respect to the sub-advisory fee paid to NTI, the Board noted that the fee is paid by DIMA out of its fee and not directly by the Fund. The Board noted that the Fund's Class A shares total (net) operating expenses 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, 2021, 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") and considered differences between the Fund and the 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 does not manage any institutional accounts or DWS Europe Funds comparable to the Fund.

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 and NTI.

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 and the Fee Consultant 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. The Board did not consider the profitability of NTI with respect to the Fund. The Board noted that DIMA pays NTI's fee out of its management fee, and its understanding that the Fund's sub-advisory fee schedule was the product of an arm's length negotiation with DIMA.

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 NTI and Their Affiliates. The Board also considered the character and amount of other incidental or "fall-out" benefits received by DIMA and NTI and their 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 and (ii) the substantial commitment of resources by DIMA and its affiliates to compliance matters, including the retention of compliance personnel. The Board also considered the attention and resources dedicated by DIMA to the oversight of the investment sub-advisor's compliance program and compliance with the applicable fund policies and procedures.

Based on all of the information considered and the conclusions reached, the Board determined that the continuation of the Agreements 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. 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. It is possible that individual Independent Trustees may have weighed these factors differently in reaching their individual decisions to approve the continuation of the Agreements.

Board Members and Officers

The following table presents certain information regarding the Board Members and Officers of the Trust/Corporation. Each Board Member's year of birth is set forth in parentheses after his or her name. Unless otherwise noted, (i) each Board Member has engaged in the principal occupation(s) noted in the table for at least the most recent five years, although not necessarily in the same capacity; and (ii) the address of each Independent Board Member is c/o Keith R. Fox, DWS Funds Board Chair, c/o Thomas R. Hiller, Ropes & Gray LLP, Prudential Tower, 800 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02199-3600. Except as otherwise noted below, the term of office for each Board Member is until the election and qualification of a successor, or until such Board Member sooner dies, resigns, is removed or as otherwise provided in the governing documents of the Trust/Corporation. Because the Fund does not hold an annual meeting of shareholders, each Board Member will hold office for an indeterminate period.

The Board Members may also serve in similar capacities with other funds in the fund complex. The number of funds in the DWS fund complex shown in the table below includes all registered open- and closed-end funds (including all of their portfolios) advised by the Advisor and any registered funds that have an investment advisor that is an affiliated person of the Advisor.

Independent Board Members/Independent Advisory Board Members

Name, Year of Birth, Position with the Trust/ Corporation and Length of Time Served ¹	Business Experience and Directorships During the Past Five Years	Number of Funds in DWS Fund Complex Overseen	Other Directorships Held by Board Member
Keith R. Fox, CFA (1954) Chairperson since 2017, and Board Member since 1996	Managing General Partner, Exeter Capital Partners (a series of private investment funds) (since 1986). Directorships: Progressive International Corporation (kitchen goods designer and distributor); former Chairman, National Association of Small Business Investment Companies; Former Directorships: ICI Mutual Insurance Company; BoxTop Media Inc. (advertising); Sun Capital Advisers Trust (mutual funds)	69	_
John W. Ballantine (1946) Board Member since 1999	Retired; formerly, Executive Vice President and Chief Risk Management Officer, First Chicago NBD Corporation/The First National Bank of Chicago (1996–1998); Executive Vice President and Head of International Banking (1995–1996); Not-for-Profit Directorships: Window to the World Communications (public media); Life Director of Harris Theater for Music and Dance (Chicago); Life Director of Hubbard Street Dance Chicago; Former Directorships: Director and Chairman of the Board, Healthways, Inc.² (population wellbeing and wellness services) (2003–2014); Stockwell Capital Investments PLC (private equity); Enron Corporation; FNB Corporation; Tokheim Corporation; First Oak Brook Bank; Portland General Electric² (utility company (2003–2021); and Prisma Energy International; Former Not-for-Profit Directorships: Public Radio International; Palm Beach Civic Assn.	69	_
Dawn-Marie Driscoll (1946) Board Member since 1987	Advisory Board and former Executive Fellow, Hoffman Center for Business Ethics, Bentley University; formerly: Partner, Palmer & Dodge (law firm) (1988–1990); Vice President of Corporate Affairs and General Counsel, Filene's (retail) (1978–1988); Directorships: Trustee and former Chairman of the Board, Southwest Florida Community Foundation (charitable organization); Former Directorships: ICI Mutual Insurance Company (2007–2015); Sun Capital Advisers Trust (mutual funds) (2007–2012), Investment Company Institute (audit, executive, nominating committees) and Independent Directors Council (governance, executive committees)		_
Richard J. Herring (1946) Board Member since 1990	Jacob Safra Professor of International Banking and Professor of Finance, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania (since July 1972); formerly: Director, The Wharton Financial Institutions Center (1994–2020); Vice Dean and Director, Wharton Undergraduate Division (1995–2000) and Director, The Lauder Institute of International Management Studies (2000–2006); Member FDIC Systemic Risk Advisory Committee since 2011, member Systemic Risk Council since 2012 and member of the Advisory Board at the Yale Program on Financial Stability since 2013; Former Directorships: Co-Chair of the Shadow Financial Regulatory Committee (2003–2015), Executive Director of The Financial Economists Roundtable (2008–2015), Director of The Thai Capital Fund (2007–2013), Director of The Aberdeen Singapore Fund (2007–2018), Director, The Aberdeen Japan Fund (2007-2021) and Nonexecutive Director of Barclays Bank DE (2010–2018)	69	_

Name, Year of Birth, Position with the Trust/ Corporation and Length of Time Served ¹	Business Experience and Directorships During the Past Five Years	Number of Funds in DWS Fund Complex Overseen	Other Directorships Held by Board Member
Chad D. Perry (1972) Board Member or Advisory Board Member since 2021 ³	Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc. ² (since 2011); formerly Executive Vice President and Deputy General Counsel, LPL Financial Holdings Inc. ² (2006–2011); Senior Corporate Counsel, EMC Corporation (2005–2006); Associate, Ropes & Gray LLP (1997–2005)	214	Director - Great Elm Capital Corp. (business development company) (since 2022)
Rebecca W. Rimel (1951) Board Member since 1995	Director, The Bridgespan Group (nonprofit organization) (since October 2020); formerly: Executive Vice President, The Glenmede Trust Company (investment trust and wealth management) (1983–2004); Board Member, Investor Education (charitable organization) (2004–2005); Former Directorships: Trustee, Executive Committee, Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce (2001–2007); Director, Viasys Health Care² (January 2007–June 2007); Trustee, Thomas Jefferson Foundation (charitable organization) (1994–2012); President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (1994–2020) and Senior Advisor (2020-2021), The Pew Charitable Trusts (charitable organization); Director, BioTelemetry Inc.² (acquired by Royal Philips in 2021) (healthcare) (2009–2021); Director, Becton Dickinson and Company² (medical technology company) (2012-2022)	69	_
Catherine Schrand (1964) Board Member since 2021*	Celia Z. Moh Professor of Accounting (since 2016) and Professor of Accounting (since 1994), The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania; formerly Vice Dean, Wharton Doctoral Programs (2016–2019)	69	_
William N. Searcy, Jr. (1946) Board Member since 1993	Private investor since October 2003; formerly: Pension & Savings Trust Officer, Sprint Corporation ² (telecommunications) (November 1989–September 2003); Former Directorships: Trustee, Sun Capital Advisers Trust (mutual funds) (1998–2012)	69	_

Officers⁵

Name, Year of Birth, Position with the Trust/Corporation and Length of Time Served ⁶	Business Experience and Directorships During the Past Five Years
Hepsen Uzcan ⁷ (1974) President and Chief Executive Officer, 2017–present	Fund Administration (Head since 2017), DWS; Secretary, DWS USA Corporation (2018–present); Assistant Secretary, DWS Distributors, Inc. (2018–present); Director and Vice President, DWS Service Company (2018–present); Assistant Secretary, DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc. (2018–present); Director and President, DB Investment Managers, Inc. (2018–present); President and Chief Executive Officer, The European Equity Fund, Inc., The New Germany Fund, Inc. and The Central and Eastern Europe Fund, Inc. (2017–present); formerly: Vice President for the Deutsche funds (2016–2017); Assistant Secretary for the DWS funds (2013–2019); Assistant Secretary, The European Equity Fund, Inc., The New Germany Fund, Inc. and The Central and Eastern Europe Fund, Inc. (2013–2020); Directorships: Interested Director, The European Equity Fund, Inc., The New Germany Fund, Inc. (since June 25, 2020); ICI Mutual Insurance Company (since October 16, 2020); and Episcopalian Charities of New York (2018–present)
John Millette ⁸ (1962) Vice President and Secretary, 1999–present	Legal (Associate General Counsel), DWS; Chief Legal Officer, DWS Investment Management Americas, Inc. (2015–present); Director and Vice President, DWS Trust Company (2016–present); Secretary, DBX ETF Trust (2020–present); Vice President, DBX Advisors LLC (2021–present); Secretary, The European Equity Fund, Inc., The New Germany Fund, Inc. and The Central and Eastern Europe Fund, Inc. 2011–present); formerly: Secretary, Deutsche Investment Management Americas Inc. (2015–2017); and Assistant Secretary, DBX ETF Trust (2019–2020)
Ciara Crawford ⁹ (1984) Assistant Secretary, 2019–present	Fund Administration (Specialist), DWS (2015–present); formerly, Legal Assistant at Accelerated Tax Solutions
Diane Kenneally ⁸ (1966) Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, 2018–present	Fund Administration Treasurer's Office (Co-Head since 2018), DWS; Treasurer, Chief Financial Officer and Controller, DBX ETF Trust (2019–present); Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, The European Equity Fund, Inc., The New Germany Fund, Inc. and The Central and Eastern Europe Fund, Inc. (2018–present); formerly: Assistant Treasurer for the DWS funds (2007–2018)
Paul Antosca ⁸ (1957) Assistant Treasurer, 2007–present	Fund Administration Tax (Head), DWS; and Assistant Treasurer, DBX ETF Trust (2019–present)
Sheila Cadogan ⁸ (1966) Assistant Treasurer, 2017–present	Fund Administration Treasurer's Office (Co-Head since 2018), DWS; Director and Vice President, DWS Trust Company (2018–present); Assistant Treasurer, DBX ETF Trust (2019–present); Assistant Treasurer, The European Equity Fund, Inc., The New Germany Fund, Inc. and The Central and Eastern Europe Fund, Inc. (2018–present)
Scott D. Hogan ⁸ (1970) Chief Compliance Officer, 2016–present	Anti-Financial Crime & Compliance US (Senior Team Lead), DWS; Chief Compliance Officer, The European Equity Fund, Inc., The New Germany Fund, Inc. and The Central and Eastern Europe Fund, Inc. (2016–present)

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Caroline Pearson ⁸ (1962) Chief Legal Officer, 2010–present	Legal (Senior Team Lead), DWS; Assistant Secretary, DBX ETF Trust (2020–present); Chief Legal Officer, DBX Advisors LLC (2020–present); Chief Legal Officer, The European Equity Fund, Inc., The New Germany Fund, Inc. and The Central and Eastern Europe Fund, Inc. (2012–present); formerly: Secretary, Deutsche AM Distributors, Inc. (2002–2017); Secretary, Deutsche AM Service Company (2010–2017); and Chief Legal Officer, DBX Strategic Advisors LLC (2020–2021)
Christian Rijs ⁷ (1980) Anti-Money Laundering Compliance Officer, since October 6, 2021	Senior Team Lead Anti-Financial Crime and Compliance, DWS; AML Officer, DWS Trust Company (since November 2, 2021); AML Officer, DBX ETF Trust (since October 21, 2021); AML Officer, The European Equity Fund, Inc., The New Germany Fund, Inc. and The Central and Eastern Europe Fund, Inc. (since November 12, 2021); formerly: DWS UK & Ireland Head of Anti-Financial Crime and MLRO

- Ms. Schrand was an Advisory Board Member for certain funds in the DWS Fund Complex for the period from November 18, 2021 to December 31, 2022 and was elected as a Full Board Member as of January 1, 2023 for all funds in the DWS Fund Complex.
- The length of time served represents the year in which the Board Member joined the board of one or more DWS funds currently overseen by the Board.
- A publicly held company with securities registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- Mr. Perry is an Advisory Board Member of Deutsche DWS Asset Allocation Trust. Deutsche DWS Equity 500 Index Portfolio. Deutsche DWS Global/International Fund, Inc., Deutsche DWS Income Trust, Deutsche DWS Institutional Funds, Deutsche DWS International Fund, Inc., Deutsche DWS Investment Trust, Deutsche DWS Investments VIT Funds, Deutsche DWS Money Market Trust, Deutsche DWS Municipal Trust, Deutsche DWS Portfolio Trust, Deutsche DWS Securities Trust, Deutsche DWS Tax Free Trust, Deutsche DWS Variable Series I and Government Cash Management Portfolio. Mr. Perry is a Board Member of each other Trust.
- Mr. Perry oversees 21 funds in the DWS Fund Complex as a Board Member of various Trusts. Mr. Perry is an Advisory Board Member of various Trusts/Corporations comprised of 48 funds in the DWS Fund Complex.
- As a result of their respective positions held with the Advisor or its affiliates, these individuals are considered "interested persons" of the Advisor within the meaning of the 1940 Act. Interested persons receive no compensation from the Fund.
- The length of time served represents the year in which the officer was first elected in such capacity for one or more DWS funds.
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