

Buy EUR 36.80 (EUR 37.00) Price EUR 23.95 Upside 53.7 %	Value Indicators: EUR NAV 2027e: 36.80	Warburg Risk Score: 3.5 Balance Sheet Score: 5.0 Market Liquidity Score: 2.0	Description: Private equity both as an advisor and as a co-investor focused on the German Mittelstand
	Market Snapshot: EUR m Market cap: 418 No. of shares (m): 17 Freefloat MC: 286 Ø Trad. Vol. (30d): 283.02 th	Shareholders: Freefloat 68.30 % Rossmann Beteiligungs GmbH 28.61 % Ricardo Portabella Peralta 10.00 %	Key Figures (WRe): 2025e Price / Book: 0.7 x Equity Ratio: 72 % Net Fin. Debt / EBITDA: 3.8 x Net Debt / EBITDA: 3.9 x

FY 2025 guidance confirmed despite headwind from economic environment

Stated Figures Q3/2025:

in EUR m	Q3 2025	Q3 2025e	Q3 2023/24	yoy	9M 2025	9M 2025e	Q2&Q3&Q4 2023/24*	yoy
(1) Net income of investment activity	4.2	10.3	30.1	-65.8%	18.9	25.0	66.7	-71.7%
(2) Income from Fund Services	12.0	11.5	11.9	0.6%	36.0	35.5	36.3	-0.8%
(1) + (2)	16.2	21.8	42.0	-61.5%	54.8	60.5	102.9	-46.7%
EBT	0.1	10.2	23.0	-55.6%	8.3	18.4	55.8	-85.1%
Net income	0.2	9.9	21.8	-54.4%	8.4	18.2	53.4	-84.4%
EPS in EUR	n.a.	0.55	1.16	-52.6%	0.46	1.01	2.88	-84.0%
NAV per share	35.28	36.07	37.59	-6.2%	35.28	36.07	36.09	-2.2%
NAV (Equity)	626.1	634.8	688.4	-9.0%	626.1	634.8	669.0	-6.4%

Comment on Figures:

- DBAG's Q3 figures, with revenues of EUR 16m and EBT of EUR 0.1m, were below our expectations overall, although the high volatility in the private markets investments segment makes it difficult to provide a precise estimate. Nevertheless, the figures are fundamentally very robust in a persistently difficult economic environment.
- NAV stands at EUR 626m, down 3.6% since the end of 2024. However, a dividend of EUR 1 per share and effects from the ongoing share buyback programme (together totalling ~EUR 33m) must be taken into account. Currently, NAV and NAV per share (EUR 35.28) are at the lower end of the company's guidance (EUR 625-665m and EUR 35-38 per share, respectively) for the full year, although we expect a slight improvement in Q4, supported by possible exits in the next 12 months.

- In our view, the development in fund advisory services is positive, with a slight increase in revenues in Q3 to EUR 12m (previous year: EUR 11.5m) and EBITA of EUR 11.2m after 9M in this area despite declining AuM. Here, DBAG benefited for the first time from revenues from the DBAG Solvares Continuation Fund. Although EBITA in the fourth quarter of the 2024 calendar year was influenced by special effects (launch of DBAG ECF IV) amounting to EUR 5.1m, DBAG should be able to reach the upper end of its own guidance of EUR 11-15m.
- According to the Management Board, an acceleration in potential sales and thus transactions is no longer to be necessarily expected in the private equity business in the current year 2025. Rather, based on the current work on transactions, management believes that a significant acceleration in exits will be more realistic in the coming 12 months. The CEO spoke of a portfolio value of around 20% of NAV, the exit of which is currently being prepared in promising transactions. This would then represent a sales volume of approximately EUR 125m. Even considering that a value adjustment has already been made in recent quarters for possible portfolio exits, a further positive NAV effect should be possible,

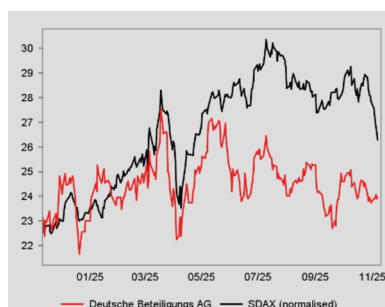
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Changes in Estimates:

FY End: 31.12. in EUR m	2025e (old)	+ / -	2026e (old)	+ / -	2027e (old)	+ / -
NAV per share	37.81	-3.4 %	39.49	-3.3 %	41.98	-3.3 %
Net income	18	6.0 %	49	-4.3 %	63	-2.4 %
EPS	0.84	6.0 %	2.27	-4.4 %	2.92	-2.4 %

Comment on Changes:

- We have slightly adjusted our estimates based on current developments.
- The positive effect in 2025 results from improved performance in the Funds Services segment.



Rel. Performance vs SDAX:

1 month:	6.0 %
6 months:	-6.2 %
Year to date:	-8.5 %
Trailing 12 months:	-9.9 %

Company events:

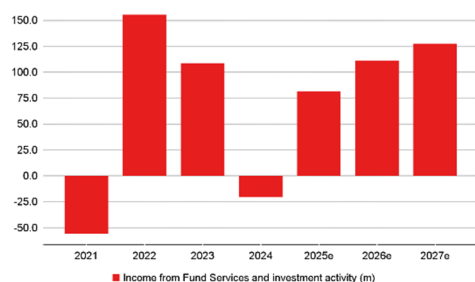
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FY End: 31.12. in EUR m	CAGR (24-27e)	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025e	2026e	2027e
Net income from investment activity	-	-99	110	61	-34	34	62	76
Income from Fund Services	-	43	46	48	14	48	49	51
Income from Fund Services and investment activity	-	-56	155	109	-21	82	111	127
EBIT	-	-95	111	55	-32	30	58	73
EBT	-	-96	109	50	-32	20	49	64
Net income	-	-98	106	48	-32	19	47	61
EPS	-	-5.19	5.63	2.50	-1.93	0.89	2.17	2.85
DPS	63.9 %	0.80	1.00	1.00	0.25	1.00	1.10	1.10
Dividend Yield		2.2 %	3.2 %	3.4 %	0.9 %	4.2 %	4.6 %	4.6 %
NAV		580	669	688	650	638	667	709
NAV per share		30.83	35.60	37.59	35.79	36.52	38.19	40.59
Return on NAV		-13.3 %	18.5 %	8.7 %	-2.2 %	-0.2 %	7.5 %	9.4 %
P / E		n.a.	5.5 x	11.7 x	n.a.	26.9 x	11.0 x	8.4 x
Net Debt		26	-15	106	-4	117	152	157
ROE		-15.3 %	16.9 %	7.0 %	-4.9 %	3.0 %	7.1 %	8.9 %
ROCE (NOPAT)		n.a.	17.1 %	7.2 %	n.a.	4.1 %	7.0 %	8.3 %
Guidance:		Guidance 2025 PE Inv. NAV in EUR 625-665m; Fund Inv. Serv. EBITA 10-15m						

which could then lead to more dynamic NAV growth in 2026. On the other hand, our expectations of a significant positive economic upturn in Germany, which would support the operating performance of the portfolio companies, are rather low.

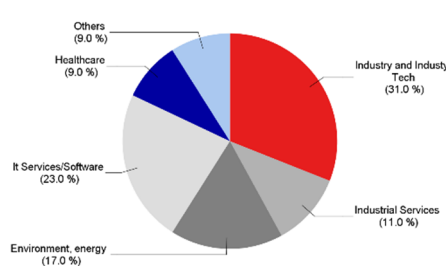
- We assume that the potential disposals will be found among the top 10 (by value) portfolio companies. The sale of von Poll Immobilien was recently delayed due to problems at a peer group company. According to management, von Poll itself continued to achieve very good results, so we assume that the exit will take place.
- While numerous sales processes are not expected to be completed until 2026, DBAG Fund VIII acquired the IT consulting firm MAIT, thereby increasing the share of the IT Services & Software segment to 20%.
- As expected, DBAG's available liquidity decreased from EUR 253m to EUR 107m at the end of September following investments in the Private Equity & Private Debt portfolio. This reduced the ratio to DBAG's callable capital commitments to 43%. However, this should increase again with inflows from expected sales.
- The valuation remains attractive at a discount of over 30% to NAV, particularly given that the portfolio is valued at an average factor of ~1.2 times acquisition cost. Successful exits such as the sale of duagon from the DBAG VII Fund (closing expected in Q4/25) with a doubling of the valuation (yoy) and a MoM of over 2.5 (acquisition in 2017) also point to a further improvement in NAV in the future. We confirm our Buy recommendation and adjust our price target to EUR 36.80.

Net result fund services & investments in EUR m



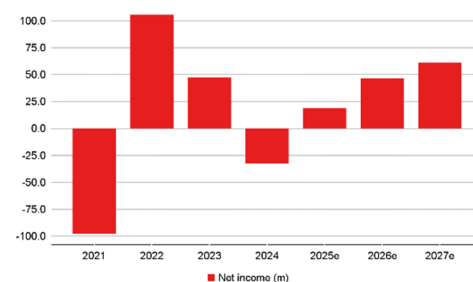
Source: Deutsche Beteiligungs AG, Warburg Research

Portfolio by industry SFY 2024; in %



Source: Deutsche Beteiligungs AG, Warburg Research

Net income in EUR m



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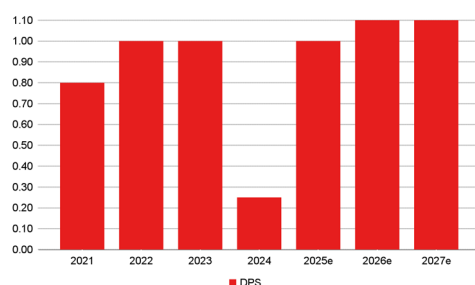
Company Background

- Deutsche Beteiligungs AG (DBAG) is a publicly-listed private equity firm sponsoring management buyouts (MBOs) and financing expansion capital.
- DBAG's business model is to invest its own funds (Private Equity Investments Segment) alongside funds it manages and for which it earns fees (Fund Investment Services Segment) helping cover fixed costs.

Competitive Quality

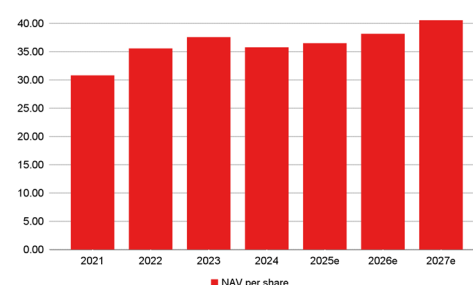
- DBAG has a tight focus on mainly direct investments in unlisted, operationally healthy German Mittelstand companies in the industrials and services sector with an enterprise value of EUR 50m – 250m p.a.
- Differentiation is based on DBAG's long-standing track record. Since it was founded in 1965, DBAG has made more than 300 private equity investments.
- Investors value this experience which cannot be matched by new entrants and the very solid track record of generating a 15-year average return for shareholders above 10%.

Dividend per share in EUR



Source: Deutsche Beteiligungs AG, Warburg Research

Net asset value per share in EUR



Source: Deutsche Beteiligungs AG, Warburg Research

Valuation							
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025e	2026e	2027e
Price / Book	0.9 x	0.9 x	0.8 x	0.7 x	0.7 x	0.6 x	0.6 x
Book value per share ex intangibles	30.82	35.59	34.75	32.97	33.74	35.42	37.83
EV / Sales	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
EV / EBITDA	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
EV / EBIT	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
EV / EBIT adj.*	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
P / FCF	18.7 x	67.1 x	43.3 x	n.a.	121.8 x	55.9 x	42.4 x
P / E	n.a.	5.5 x	11.7 x	n.a.	26.9 x	11.0 x	8.4 x
P / E adj.*	n.a.	5.5 x	11.7 x	n.a.	26.9 x	11.0 x	8.4 x
Dividend Yield	2.2 %	3.2 %	3.4 %	0.9 %	4.2 %	4.6 %	4.6 %
FCF Potential Yield (on market EV)	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
*Adjustments made for: -							

Company Specific Items							
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025e	2026e	2027e
NAV per share	30.83	35.60	37.59	35.79	36.52	38.19	40.59
Return on NAV	-13.3 %	18.5 %	8.7 %	-2.2 %	-0.2 %	7.5 %	9.4 %
Net income from investment activity	-99	110	61	-34	34	62	76
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Consolidated profit & loss

In EUR m	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025e	2026e	2027e
Income from Fund Services and investment activity	-56	155	109	-21	82	111	127
Net income from investment activity	-99	110	61	-34	34	62	76
Income from Fund Services	43	46	48	14	48	49	51
Personnel expenses	25	27	32	7	33	34	35
Other operating income	4	5	5	2	5	5	5
Other operating expenses	18	22	27	6	24	24	25
Unfrequent items	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EBITDA	-95	111	55	-32	30	58	73
<i>Margin</i>	<i>170.1 %</i>	<i>71.3 %</i>	<i>50.8 %</i>	<i>153.9 %</i>	<i>36.8 %</i>	<i>52.5 %</i>	<i>57.5 %</i>
Depreciation of fixed assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EBITA	-95	111	55	-32	30	58	73
Amortisation of intangible assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Goodwill amortisation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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EBIT adj.	-95	111	55	-32	30	58	73
Interest income	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interest expenses	1	2	5	1	10	10	9
Other financial income (loss)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EBT	-96	109	50	-32	20	49	64
<i>Margin</i>	<i>172.1 %</i>	<i>69.9 %</i>	<i>46.0 %</i>	<i>157.2 %</i>	<i>24.7 %</i>	<i>44.1 %</i>	<i>50.5 %</i>
Total taxes	2	3	2	0	1	2	3
Net income from continuing operations	-98	106	48	-32	19	47	61
Income from discontinued operations (net of tax)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net income before minorities	-98	106	48	-32	19	47	61
Minority interest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Net income	-98	106	48	-32	19	47	61
<i>Margin</i>	<i>175.2 %</i>	<i>68.1 %</i>	<i>43.7 %</i>	<i>157.7 %</i>	<i>23.5 %</i>	<i>41.9 %</i>	<i>48.0 %</i>
Number of shares, average	15	19	18	18	17	17	17
EPS	-5.19	5.63	2.50	-1.93	0.89	2.17	2.85
EPS adj.	-5.19	5.63	2.50	-1.93	0.89	2.17	2.85

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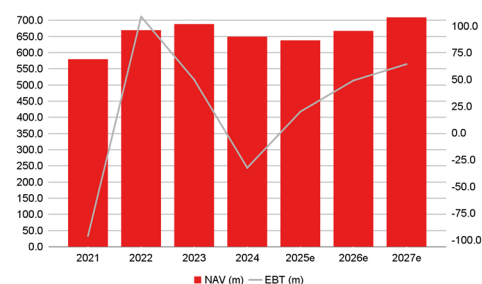
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Financial Ratios

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025e	2026e	2027e
EBITDA / Interest expenses	n.m.	47.8 x	10.3 x	n.m.	3.0 x	6.1 x	8.1 x
Tax rate (EBT)	-1.7 %	2.6 %	4.9 %	-0.3 %	4.9 %	4.9 %	4.9 %
Dividend Payout Ratio	n.m.	17.8 %	38.5 %	n.m.	91.2 %	41.2 %	31.4 %

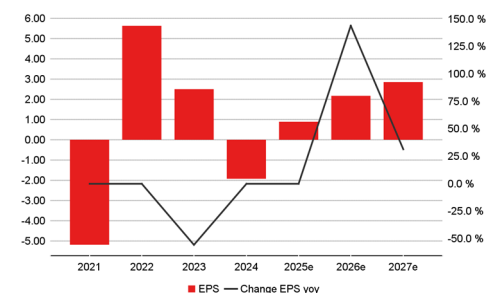
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Performance per Share



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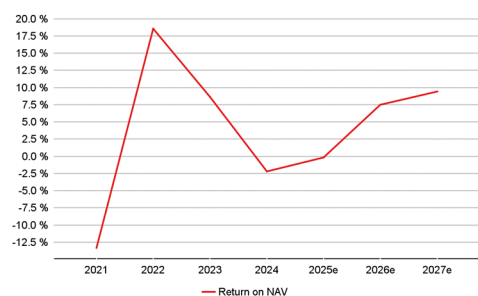
Consolidated balance sheet

In EUR m	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025e	2026e	2027e
Assets							
Goodwill and other intangible assets	0	0	52	51	49	48	48
thereof other intangible assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
thereof Goodwill	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Property, plant and equipment	2	14	13	13	12	13	13
Financial assets	557	635	805	609	742	804	880
Other long-term assets	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fixed assets	560	650	871	673	804	866	943
Inventories	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accounts receivable	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Liquid assets	19	20	24	126	67	38	44
Other short-term assets	67	38	18	49	18	18	18
Current assets	87	58	42	175	86	56	63
Total Assets	646	708	914	848	890	923	1,006
Liabilities and shareholders' equity							
Subscribed capital	67	67	65	64	62	62	62
Capital reserve	260	260	257	255	248	248	248
Retained earnings	-1	-1	-2	-2	-1	-1	-1
Other equity components	253	344	368	332	329	359	400
Shareholders' equity	580	669	688	650	638	667	709
Minority interest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total equity	580	669	688	650	638	667	709
Provisions	19	22	21	16	21	21	21
thereof provisions for pensions and similar obligations	4	5	4	3	4	4	4
Financial liabilities (total)	41	0	126	119	181	186	198
Short-term financial liabilities	0	0	0	0	60	65	65
Accounts payable	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other liabilities	7	17	78	64	49	48	77
Liabilities	67	39	225	199	251	256	296
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	646	708	914	848	890	923	1,006

Financial Ratios

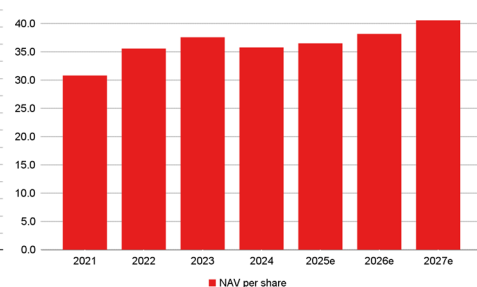
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025e	2026e	2027e
Efficiency of Capital Employment							
ROA	-17.4 %	16.3 %	5.5 %	-4.8 %	2.4 %	5.4 %	6.5 %
Return on Capital							
NAV per share	30.83	35.60	37.59	35.79	36.52	38.19	40.59
Return on NAV	-13.3 %	18.5 %	8.7 %	-2.2 %	-0.2 %	7.5 %	9.4 %
ROCE (NOPAT)	n.a.	17.1 %	7.2 %	n.a.	4.1 %	7.0 %	8.3 %
ROE	-15.3 %	16.9 %	7.0 %	-4.9 %	3.0 %	7.1 %	8.9 %
Adj. ROE	-15.3 %	16.9 %	7.0 %	-4.9 %	3.0 %	7.1 %	8.9 %
Balance sheet quality							
Net Debt	26	-15	106	-4	117	152	157
Net Financial Debt	22	-20	102	-8	114	148	154
Net Gearing	4.5 %	-2.3 %	15.4 %	-0.6 %	18.4 %	22.7 %	22.2 %
Net Fin. Debt / EBITDA	n.a.	n.a.	185.2 %	n.a.	378.9 %	253.5 %	209.8 %
Book Value / Share	30.8	35.6	37.6	35.8	36.5	38.2	40.6
Book value per share ex intangibles	30.8	35.6	34.7	33.0	33.7	35.4	37.8

Return on NAV Development



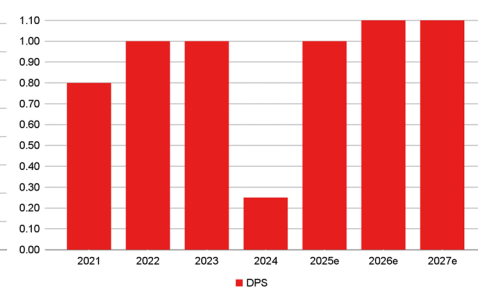
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NAV per share Development in EUR m



Source: Warburg Research

Dividend per Share in EUR



Source: Warburg Research

Consolidated cash flow statement

In EUR m	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025e	2026e	2027e
Net income	-98	106	48	-35	19	47	61
Depreciation of fixed assets	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Amortisation of goodwill	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amortisation of intangible assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Increase/decrease in long-term provisions	-9	4	-5	-6	0	0	0
Other non-cash income and expenses	137	0	0	0	-15	-37	-49
Cash Flow before NWC change	30	109	43	-41	4	9	12
Increase / decrease in inventory	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Increase / decrease in accounts receivable	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Increase / decrease in accounts payable	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Increase / decrease in other working capital positions	0	-100	-30	20	0	0	0
Increase / decrease in working capital (total)	0	-100	-30	20	0	0	0
Net cash provided by operating activities [1]	30	9	13	-20	4	9	12
Investments in intangible assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Investments in property, plant and equipment	-1	-1	-1	0	-1	-1	-1
Payments for acquisitions	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Financial investments	97	70	215	27	120	120	120
Income from asset disposals	40	119	112	57	70	120	120
Net cash provided by investing activities [2]	-58	49	-104	29	-49	0	0
Change in financial liabilities	41	-41	128	-7	55	5	12
Dividends paid	-30	-15	-19	0	-19	-17	-19
Purchase of own shares	0	0	-13	-4	0	0	0
Capital measures	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	-1	-1	-2	0	0	0	0
Net cash provided by financing activities [3]	10	-57	95	-11	36	-12	-7
Change in liquid funds [1]+[2]+[3]	-19	1	4	-2	-9	-3	5
Effects of exchange-rate changes on cash	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cash and cash equivalent at end of period	19	20	24	22	15	12	17

Financial Ratios

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025e	2026e	2027e
Cash Flow							
FCF	29	9	12	-21	4	9	12
Interest Received / Avg. Cash	0.0 %	0.7 %	0.7 %	0.0 %	0.1 %	0.3 %	0.3 %
Interest Paid / Avg. Debt	5.4 %	11.3 %	8.5 %	0.6 %	6.7 %	5.2 %	4.7 %

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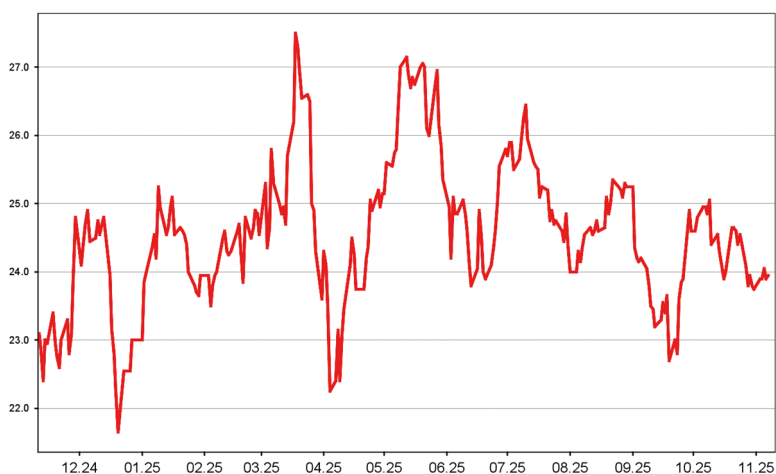
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