ABERDEEN TOTAL DYNAMIC DIVIDEND FUND Form N-Q March 28, 2019 UNITED STATES

### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### **FORM N-Q**

### QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS

### OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number: 811-21980

Exact name of registrant as specified in charter: Aberdeen Total Dynamic Dividend Fund

Address of principal executive offices: 1735 Market Street, 32nd Floor

Philadelphia, PA 19103

Name and address of agent for service:

Ms. Andrea Melia

Aberdeen Standard Investments Inc. 1735 Market Street, 32nd Floor

Philadelphia, PA 19103

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 800-522-5465

Date of fiscal year end: October 31

Date of reporting period: January 31, 2019

**Item 1. Schedule of Investments** - The schedule of investments for the three-month period ended January 31, 2019 is filed herewith.

Portfolio of Investments (unaudited)

As of January 31, 2019

LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS (98.8%)	Shares or Principal Amount	Value
COMMON STOCKS (96.5%)		
AUSTRALIA (1.0%)		
Consumer Staples (1.0%)		
Treasury Wine Estates Ltd.(a) BRAZIL (1.7%)	877,100	\$9,870,892
Industrials (1.7%)		
CCR SA(a) Rumo SA(a)(b)	2,737,200 1,092,300	11,173,128 5,889,004
CANADA (3.3%)		17,062,132
Energy (1.3%)		
Enbridge, Inc.	350,300	12,827,986
Industrials (1.0%)		
Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd.(c)	48,800	9,999,120
Materials (1.0%)		
Barrick Gold Corp.	753,131	10,084,424
CHINA (0.5%)		32,911,530
Industrials (0.5%)		
CRRC Corp. Ltd., Class H(a)	5,209,950	5,249,407

## FINLAND (2.8%)

Information Technology (1.3%)

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Nokia OYJ(a)	1,968,600	12,436,935
Materials (1.5%)		
Stora Enso OYJ, R Shares(a) UPM-Kymmene OYJ(a) FRANCE (5.1%)	635,500 232,600	8,548,936 6,755,108 15,304,044 27,740,979
Energy (1.0%)		
TOTAL SA, ADR	175,000	9,577,750
Financials (1.1%)		
AXA SA(a)	451,100	10,461,084

230,200

9,260,864

See Notes to Portfolio of Investments.

Industrials (1.8%)

Alstom SA(a)

## Portfolio of Investments (unaudited) (continued)

## As of January 31, 2019

Bouygues SA(a)	246,900	\$8,738,584 17,999,448
Utilities (1.2%)		
Veolia Environnement SA(a)	565,300	11,942,329
GERMANY (3.2%)		49,980,611
Financials (1.2%)		
Deutsche Boerse AG(a)	88,500	11,783,591
Health Care (0.9%)		
Bayer AG(a)	124,900	9,466,889
Information Technology (1.1%)		
Infineon Technologies AG(a)	478,000	10,632,377
HONG KONG (1.2%)		31,882,857
Financials (1.2%)		
AIA Group Ltd.(a) ITALY (0.6%)	1,268,700	11,455,734
Financials (0.6%)		
Mediobanca Banca di Credito Finanziario SpA(a) JAPAN (3.8%)	708,800	6,177,014
Consumer Staples (1.0%)		
Japan Tobacco, Inc.(a)	392,800	9,944,018
Financials (0.9%)		
Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group, Inc.(a)	1,722,400	9,238,812
Health Care (0.6%)		

Takeda Pharmaceutic SP ADR(b)	277,876	5,549,184
Real Estate (1.3%)		
Daito Trust Construction Co. Ltd.(a) LUXEMBOURG (0.9%)	90,200	12,528,070
Materials (0.9%)		
ArcelorMittal(c) NETHERLANDS (0.9%)	387,700	9,110,950
Consumer Staples (0.9%)		
Unilever NV, CVA(a) SINGAPORE (1.2%)	170,600	9,135,660
Financials (1.2%)		
Oversea-Chinese Banking Corp. Ltd.(a)	1,393,100	11,950,967

## Portfolio of Investments (unaudited) (continued)

As of January 31, 2019

Health Care (2.4%)

SOUTH KOREA (1.4%)		
Materials (1.4%)		
LG Chem Ltd.(a) SPAIN (3.1%)	40,400	\$13,402,447
Communication Services (1.2%)		
Cellnex Telecom SA(a)(d)	404,000	11,384,565
Financials (0.8%)		
Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria SA(a)	1,334,800	7,922,236
Industrials (1.1%)		
Ferrovial SA(a)	492,745	11,049,746 30,356,547
SWEDEN (2.5%)		30,330,347
Consumer Staples (1.5%)		
Essity AB, Class B(a)	517,400	14,315,702
Financials (1.0%)		
Swedbank AB, A Shares(a)	431,900	9,811,230 24,126,932
SWITZERLAND (6.9%)		24,120,932
Consumer Staples (1.1%)		
Nestle SA(a)	127,800	11,142,100
Financials (2.2%)		
UBS Group AG(a) Zurich Insurance Group AG(a)	704,800 39,400	9,136,814 12,365,796 21,502,610

Novartis AG(c), ADR Roche Holding AG(a)	141,000 43,300	12,340,320 11,519,346 23,859,666 56,504,376
UNITED KINGDOM (5.7%)  Communication Services (2.3%)		
BT Group PLC, ADR Vodafone Group PLC(a)	637,813 7,073,800	9,733,026 12,901,074 22,634,100
Energy (1.2%)		
BP PLC(c), ADR	274,100	11,270,992

## Portfolio of Investments (unaudited) (continued)

As of January	31,	2019
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Financials (1.0%)		
Standard Chartered PLC(a)	1,265,500	\$10,206,399
Industrials (1.2%)		
EasyJet PLC(a) Melrose Industries PLC(a)	91,322 4,631,786	1,513,132 10,266,484 11,779,616 55,891,107
UNITED STATES (50.7%)		
Communication Services (3.5%)		
Activision Blizzard, Inc. Alphabet, Inc., Class C(b)(c) AT&T, Inc. Comcast Corp., Class A(c)	98,300 11,200 242,600 275,000	4,643,692 12,503,344 7,292,556 10,056,750 34,496,342
Consumer Discretionary (8.7%)		
Aptiv PLC(c) Dollar General Corp.(c) Lennar Corp., Class A(c) Lowe's Cos., Inc.(c) MGM Resorts International Target Corp.(c) TJX Cos., Inc. (The)(c) Whirlpool Corp.(c)	163,600 91,400 213,800 115,300 398,400 137,900 182,400 74,800	12,945,668 10,550,302 10,138,396 11,087,248 11,728,896 10,066,700 9,070,752 9,949,148 85,537,110
Consumer Staples (3.3%)		
Kraft Heinz Co. (The)(c) Molson Coors Brewing Co., Class B Mondelez International, Inc., Class A	237,500 120,000 276,300	11,414,250 7,993,200 12,781,638 32,189,088
Energy (3.8%)		
EOG Resources, Inc. Helmerich & Payne, Inc.(c)	106,200 109,300	10,535,040 6,119,707

Kinder Morgan, Inc.(c) Schlumberger Ltd.(c)	642,500 213,100	11,629,250 9,421,151 37,705,148
Financials (7.4%)		
American International Group, Inc.(c)	193,600	8,369,328
Bank of America Corp.(c)	395,200	11,251,344
Citigroup, Inc.(c)	169,800	10,945,308
Evercore, Inc.(c), Class A	94,800	8,479,860
Huntington Bancshares, Inc.(c)	705,500	9,340,820
Progressive Corp. (The)	193,800	13,040,802
Wells Fargo & Co.	240,600	11,767,746
•		73,195,208
Health Care (5.8%)		
Allergan PLC(c)	83,800	12,065,524
Medtronic PLC(c)	118,900	10,509,571
Pfizer, Inc.	217,600	9,237,120

## Portfolio of Investments (unaudited) (continued)

## As of January 31, 2019

Thermo Fisher Scientific, Inc.(c) UnitedHealth Group, Inc. Universal Health Services, Inc., Class B	20,300 49,300 55,600	\$4,987,101 13,320,860 7,368,668 57,488,844
Industrials (3.5%)		
Delta Air Lines, Inc.(c) FedEx Corp.(c) Norfolk Southern Corp.(c) Raytheon Co.(c)	211,000 52,400 30,500 57,300	10,429,730 9,304,668 5,116,070 9,440,748 34,291,216
Information Technology (9.3%)		
Amdocs Ltd. Apple, Inc.(c) Broadcom, Inc.(c) Cisco Systems, Inc.(c) Intel Corp.(c) Leidos Holdings, Inc.(c) Microsoft Corp.(c) TE Connectivity Ltd (c)  Real Estate (3.5%)	76,897 114,500 44,900 245,300 275,400 131,900 111,300 146,400	4,297,004 19,057,380 12,044,425 11,600,237 12,976,848 7,650,200 11,623,059 11,851,080 91,100,233
American Tower Corp.(c), REIT Digital Realty Trust, Inc.(c), REIT GEO Group, Inc. (The)(c), REIT	68,000 89,300 578,000	11,753,120 9,674,762 13,033,900 34,461,782
Utilities (3.1%)		
Clearway Energy, Inc.(c) CMS Energy Corp.(c) FirstEnergy Corp.(c) NextEra Energy, Inc.(c)	300,000 146,500 172,100 67,200	4,527,000 7,638,510 6,746,320 12,027,456 30,939,286 511,404,257
Total Common Stocks EXCHANGE-TRADED FUNDS (1.0%)		951,474,483

UNITED STATES (1.0%)

iShares Nasdaq Biotechnology ETF(c) 88,600 9,718,534 Total Exchange-Traded Funds 9,718,534

PREFERRED STOCKS (1.3%)

SOUTH KOREA (1.3%)

Information Technology (1.3%)

 Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.(a)
 380,000
 12,876,524

 Total Preferred Stocks
 12,876,524

 Total Long-Term Investments—98.8% (cost \$868,020,263)
 974,069,541

Portfolio of Investments (unaudited) (concluded)

As of January 31, 2019

### SHORT-TERM INVESTMENT—0.9%

#### UNITED STATES—0.9%

\$8,733,163 State Street Institutional U.S. Government Money Market Fund, Premier Class, 2.32%(e) \$8,733,163 Total Short-Term Investment — 0.9% (cost \$8,733,163) 8,733,163 Total Investments—99.7% (cost \$876,753,426) 982,802,704 Other Assets in Excess of Liabilities—0.3% 2,895,896 Net Assets—100.0% \$985,698,600

Fair Values are determined pursuant to procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Directors. Unless otherwise

- (a) noted, securities are valued by applying valuation factors to the exchange traded price. See Note (a) of the accompanying Notes to Portfolio of Investments.
- (b) Non-income producing security
- (c) All or a portion of the security has been designated as collateral for the line of credit.
- (d) Denotes a security issued under Regulation S or Rule 144A.
- (e) Registered investment company advised by State Street Global Advisors. The rate shown is the 7 day yield as of January 31, 2019.

ADR American Depositary Receipt **CVA Dutch Certificate** ETF Exchange-Traded Fund PLC Public Limited Company **REITReal Estate Investment Trust** 

At January 31, 2019, the Fund's open forward foreign currency exchange contracts were as follows:

Sale Contracts Settlement Date*	Counterparty	Amount Purchased	Amount Sold	Fair Value	Unrealized Depreciation
United States Dolla	r/Euro				
04/11/2019	Citibank	USD28,171,815	EUR 24,500,000	\$28,203,627	\$ (31,812)

January 31, 2019

#### **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

#### a. Security Valuation:

The Fund values its securities at current market value or fair value, consistent with regulatory requirements. "Fair value" is defined in the Fund's Valuation and Liquidity Procedures as the price that could be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between willing market participants without a compulsion to transact at the measurement date.

Equity securities that are traded on an exchange are valued at the last quoted sale price on the principal exchange on which the security is traded at the "Valuation Time" subject to application, when appropriate, of the valuation factors described in the paragraph below. Under normal circumstances, the Valuation Time is as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (usually 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time). In the absence of a sale price, the security is valued at the mean of the bid/ask price quoted at the close on the principal exchange on which the security is traded. Securities traded on NASDAQ are valued at the NASDAQ official closing price. Closed-end funds and exchange-traded funds ("ETFs") are valued at the market price of the security at the Valuation Time. A security using any of these pricing methodologies is determined to be a Level 1 investment.

Foreign equity securities that are traded on foreign exchanges that close prior to the Valuation Time are valued by applying valuation factors to the last sale price or the mean price as noted above. Valuation factors are provided by an independent pricing service provider. These valuation factors are used when pricing the Fund's portfolio holdings to estimate market movements between the time foreign markets close and the time the Fund values such foreign securities. These valuation factors are based on inputs such as depositary receipts, indices, futures, sector indices/ETFs, exchange rates, and local exchange opening and closing prices of each security. When prices with the application of valuation factors are utilized, the value assigned to the foreign securities may not be the same as quoted or published prices of the securities on their primary markets. A security that applies a valuation factor is determined to be a Level 2 investment because the exchange-traded price has been adjusted. Valuation factors are not utilized if the independent pricing service provider is unable to provide a valuation factor or if the valuation factor falls below a predetermined threshold; in such case, the security is determined to be a Level 1 investment.

Short-term investments are comprised of cash and cash equivalents invested in short-term investment funds which are redeemable daily. The Fund sweeps available cash into the State Street Institutional U.S. Government Money Market Fund, which has elected to qualify as a "government money market fund" pursuant to Rule 2a-7 under the Investment

Company Act of 1940, and has an objective to maintain a \$1.00 per share net asset value. Generally, these investment types are categorized as Level 1 investments.

In the event that a security's market quotations are not readily available or are deemed unreliable (for reasons other than because the foreign exchange on which it trades closes before the Valuation Time), the security is valued at fair value as determined by the Fund's Pricing Committee, taking into account the relevant factors and surrounding circumstances using valuation policies and procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Directors. A security that has been fair valued by the Fund's Pricing Committee may be classified as Level 2 or Level 3 depending on the nature of the inputs.

In accordance with the authoritative guidance on fair value measurements and disclosures under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the Fund discloses the fair value of its investments using a three-level hierarchy that classifies the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure the fair value. The hierarchy assigns Level 1, the highest level, measurements to valuations based upon unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets, Level 2 measurements to valuations based upon other significant observable inputs, including adjusted quoted prices in active markets for similar assets, and Level 3, the lowest level, measurements to valuations based upon unobservable inputs that are significant to the valuation. Observable inputs are inputs that reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, which are based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs are inputs that reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the

Notes to Portfolio of Investments (unaudited) (concluded)

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circumstances. A financial instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based upon the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The three-level hierarchy of inputs is summarized below:

Level 1 — quoted prices in active markets for identical investments;

Level 2 — other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, and credit risk); or

Level 3 — significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

The following is a summary of the inputs used as of January 31, 2019 in valuing the Fund's investments at fair value. The inputs or methodologies used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. Refer to the Portfolio of Investments for a detailed breakout of the security types:

	Level 1-Quoted Prices (\$)	Level 2-Other Significant Observable Inputs (\$)	Level 3-Significant Unobservable <u>Inputs (\$)</u>		<u>Total (\$)</u>
Investments, at Value					
Investments in Securities					
Common Stocks	\$601,898,009	\$349,576,474	\$		\$951,474,483
Exchange-Traded Funds	9,718,534				9,718,534
Preferred Stocks		12,876,524		_	12,876,524
Short-Term Investment	8,733,163			_	8,733,163
Total	\$620,349,706	\$362,452,998	\$	_	\$982,802,704
Liabilities					
Other Financial Instruments					
Forward Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts	<b>\$</b> —	\$(31,812)	\$	_	\$(31,812)
Other Financial Instruments					
Amounts listed as "-" are \$0 or round to \$0.					

For the period ended January 31, 2019, there were no significant changes to the fair valuation methodologies.

### **b.** Restricted Securities:

Restricted securities are privately-placed securities whose resale is restricted under U.S. securities laws. The Funds may invest in restricted securities, including unregistered securities eligible for resale without registration pursuant to Rule 144A and privately-placed securities of U.S. and non-U.S. issuers offered outside the U.S. without registration pursuant to Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"). Rule 144A securities may be freely traded among certain qualified institutional investors, such as the Funds, but resale of such securities in the U.S. is permitted only in limited circumstances.

#### c. Rights Issues and Warrants:

Rights issues give the right, normally to existing shareholders, to buy a proportional number of additional securities at a given price (generally at a discount) within a fixed period (generally a short-term period) and are offered at the company's discretion. Warrants are securities that give the holder the right to buy common stock at a specified price for a specified period of time. Rights issues and warrants are speculative and have no value if they are not exercised before the expiration date. Rights issues and warrants are valued at the last sale price on the exchange on which they are traded.

### **Item 2. Controls and Procedures**

The Registrant's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, have concluded that the Registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270 30a 3(c))) are effective, as of a date within 90 days of the filing

(a) Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))) are effective, as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of the report that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph, based on the evaluation of these controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30a3(b)) and Rule 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15(b)).

There was no change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d))) that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

#### Item 3. Exhibits

Certification of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer of the Registrant as required by (a) Rule 30a-2(a) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30a-2(a)) is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.302CERT.

### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Aberdeen Total Dynamic Dividend Fund

By: /s/ Christian Pittard Christian Pittard, Principal Executive Officer of Aberdeen Total Dynamic Dividend Fund

Date: March 28, 2019

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: /s/ Christian Pittard Christian Pittard, Principal Executive Officer of Aberdeen Total Dynamic Dividend Fund

Date: March 28, 2019

By: /s/ Andrea Melia Andrea Melia, Principal Financial Officer of Aberdeen Total Dynamic Dividend Fund

Date: March 28, 2019