How do Dividend Strategies Fare in the Face of Uncertainty?

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Andrew has a Bachelor of Commerce (Finance) from The University of Southern Queensland and is also RG 146 Compliant. With over 21 years experience in the finance industry, Andrew can give advice on unlisted properties, cash, fixed interest and superannuation. However, his real passion and expertise is in direct equities.

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