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CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION REPORTS 4TH QUARTER 2022 EARNINGS

NEW YORK - (BUSINESS WIRE) - Chimera Investment Corporation (NYSE:CIM) today announced its financial results for the fourth quarter and full year ended December 31, 2022.

Financial Highlights:

- 4TH QUARTER GAAP NET INCOME OF \$0.34 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE
- 4TH QUARTER EARNINGS AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION⁽¹⁾ OF \$0.11 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE.
- FULL YEAR GAAP NET LOSS OF \$587 MILLION, OR \$2.51 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE
- FULL YEAR EARNINGS AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION⁽¹⁾ OF \$256 MILLION, OR \$1.08 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE.
- GAAP BOOK VALUE OF \$7.49 PER COMMON SHARE
- 4TH QUARTER BOOK VALUE RETURN OF 3.8%, CHANGE IN BOOK VALUE PLUS DIVIDEND FOR THE QUARTER

Business Highlights:

Fourth Quarter

- Settled \$463 million of fixed rate prime jumbo loans into a financing structure in which we borrowed \$383 million for five years at an effective fixed rate with non-mark-to-market feature
- Sponsored \$145 million CIM 2022-NR1 Securitization which reduced our mark-to-market mortgage loan warehouse exposure by approximately \$100 million

Post Quarter

- Committed to purchase approximately \$900 million of residential mortgage loans, which is expected to be accretive to future earnings
- Collapsed CIM Trust 2020-R4, CIM Trust 2020-NR1, CIM Trust 2018-R5, and CIM Trust 2018-R6 and issued CIM Trust 2023-R1 and CIM Trust 2023-NR1 reducing recourse borrowing amount by approximately \$139 million and releasing approximately \$90 million in equity

• As of January 31, we had approximately \$365 million in cash
"Since the end of last year, we have been able to take positive actions with respect to our financing, hedging, and asset acquisitions and allocation which we believe position us to navigate potentially volatile markets in 2023, said Phillip Kardis, Chief Executive Officer."
(1) Earnings available for distribution per adjusted diluted common share is a non-GAAP measure. See additional discussion on page 6.
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Other Information

Chimera Investment Corporation is a publicly traded real estate investment trust, or REIT, that is primarily engaged in the business of investing directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries, on a leveraged basis, in a diversified portfolio of mortgage assets, including residential mortgage loans, Non-Agency RMBS, Agency CMBS, Agency RMBS, and other real estate related securities.

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

(dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)
(Unaudited)

	Dece	mber 31, 2022	Dece	mber 31, 2021
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	264,600	\$	385,741
Non-Agency RMBS, at fair value (net of allowance for credit losses of \$7 million and \$213 thousand, respectively)		1,147,481		1,810,208
Agency RMBS, at fair value		15,148		60,487
Agency CMBS, at fair value		415,796		761,208
Loans held for investment, at fair value		11,359,236		12,261,926
Receivable for investments sold		_		_
Accrued interest receivable		61,768		69,513
Other assets		133,866		58,320
Derivatives, at fair value		4,096		
Total assets (1)	\$	13,401,991	\$	15,407,403
Liabilities:				
Secured financing agreements (\$4.7 billion and \$4.4 billion pledged as collateral, respectively, and includes \$374 million and \$0 million at fair value, respectively)	\$	3,434,765	\$	3,261,613
Securitized debt, collateralized by Non-Agency RMBS (\$276 million and \$365 million pledged as collateral, respectively)		78,542		87,999
Securitized debt at fair value, collateralized by Loans held for investment (\$10.0 billion and \$11.0 billion pledged as collateral, respectively)		7,100,742		7,726,043
Payable for investments purchased		9,282		477,415
Accrued interest payable		30,696		20,416
Dividends payable		64,545		86,152
Accounts payable and other liabilities		16,616		11,574
Total liabilities (1)	\$	10,735,188	\$	11,671,212
Stockholders' Equity:				
Preferred Stock, par value of \$0.01 per share, 100,000,000 shares authorized:				
8.00% Series A cumulative redeemable: 5,800,000 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$145,000 liquidation preference)	\$	58	\$	58
8.00% Series B cumulative redeemable: 13,000,000 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$325,000 liquidation preference)		130		130
7.75% Series C cumulative redeemable: 10,400,000 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$260,000 liquidation preference)		104		104
8.00% Series D cumulative redeemable: 8,000,000 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$200,000 liquidation preference)		80		80
Common stock: par value \$0.01 per share; 500,000,000 shares authorized, 231,824,192 and 236,951,266 shares issued and outstanding, respectively		2,318		2,370
Additional paid-in-capital		4,318,388		4,359,045
Accumulated other comprehensive income		229,345		405,054
Cumulative earnings		4,038,942		4,552,008
Cumulative distributions to stockholders		(5,922,562))	(5,582,658)
Total stockholders' equity	\$	2,666,803	\$	3,736,191
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	13,401,991	\$	15,407,403

⁽¹⁾ The Company's consolidated statements of financial condition include assets of consolidated variable interest entities, or VIEs, that can only be used to settle obligations and liabilities of the VIE for which creditors do not have recourse to the primary beneficiary (Chimera Investment Corporation). As of December 31, 2022, and December 31, 2021, total assets of consolidated VIEs were \$10,199,266 and \$10,666,591, respectively, and total liabilities of consolidated VIEs were \$6,772,125 and \$7,223,655, respectively.

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(dollars in thousands, except share and per share data) (Unaudited)

,	,		For the Year Ende	d	
	Dec	ember 31, 2022	December 31, 2021	De	cember 31, 2020
Net interest income:					
Interest income (1)	\$	773,121	\$ 937,540	6 \$	1,030,250
Interest expense (2)		333,293	326,628	8	516,181
Net interest income		439,828	610,91	8	514,069
Increase/(decrease) in provision for credit losses		7,037	3.	3	180
Other investment gains (losses):					
Net unrealized gains (losses) on derivatives		(1,482)	· —	_	201,000
Realized gains (losses) on terminations of interest rate swaps		(561)	_	_	(463,966)
Periodic interest cost of swaps, net		(1,752)	-	_	(41,086)
Net gains (losses) on derivatives		(3,795)	-	-	(304,052)
Net unrealized gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value		(736,899)	437,35	7	(110,664)
Net realized gains (losses) on sales of investments		(76,473)	45,313	3	166,946
Gains (losses) on extinguishment of debt		(2,897)	(283,55)	6)	(54,418)
Other investment gains (losses)		(1,866)	_	_	
Total other gains (losses)		(821,930)	199,114	4	(302,188)
Other expenses:					
Compensation and benefits		49,378	46,823	3	44,811
General and administrative expenses		22,651	22,24		22,914
Servicing and asset manager fees		36,005	36,55		39,896
Transaction expenses		16,146	29,850		15,068
Total other expenses		124,180	135,480		122,689
Income (loss) before income taxes		(513,319)	674,519	9	89,012
Income tax expense (benefit)		(253)	4,40:	5	158
Net income (loss)	\$	(513,066)	\$ 670,114	4 \$	88,854
Dividends on preferred stock		73,765	73,764	4	73,750
Net income (loss) available to common shareholders	\$	(586,831)	\$ 596,350	0 \$	15,104
Net income (loss) per share available to common shareholders:					
Basic	\$	(2.51)	\$ 2.55	5 \$	0.07
Diluted	\$	(2.51)		4 \$	0.07
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:					
Basic		233,938,745	233,770,474	4	212,995,533
Diluted		233,938,745	245,496,920	6	226,438,341

⁽¹⁾ Includes interest income of consolidated VIEs of \$551,253, \$586,580, and \$683,456 for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021, and 2020, respectively. See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements for further discussion.

⁽²⁾ Includes interest expense of consolidated VIEs of \$197,823, \$203,135, and \$285,142 for the years ended December 31, 2022, 2021, and 2020, respectively. See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

(dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)
(Unaudited)

			For the Year Ended	
	Dece	ember 31, 2022	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Comprehensive income (loss):				
Net income (loss)	\$	(513,066) \$	670,114	88,854
Other comprehensive income:				
Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities, net		(175,709)	(115,926)	(94,136)
Reclassification adjustment for net realized losses (gains) included in net income			(37,116)	(56,104)
Other comprehensive income (loss)		(175,709) \$	(153,042) \$	(150,240)
Comprehensive income (loss) before preferred stock dividends	\$	(688,775) \$	517,072	6 (61,386)
Dividends on preferred stock	\$	73,765 \$	73,764	73,750
Comprehensive income (loss) available to common stock shareholders	\$	(762,540) \$	443,308	(135,136)

Earnings available for distribution

Earnings available for distribution is a non-GAAP measure and is defined as GAAP net income excluding unrealized gains or losses on financial instruments carried at fair value with changes in fair value recorded in earnings, realized gains or losses on the sales of investments, gains or losses on the extinguishment of debt, interest expense on long term debt, changes in the provision for credit losses, other gains or losses on equity investments, and transaction expenses incurred. In addition, stock compensation expense charges incurred on awards to retirement eligible employees is reflected as an expense over a vesting period (36 months) rather than reported as an immediate expense.

Earnings available for distribution is the Economic net interest income, reduced by compensation and benefits expenses (adjusted for awards to retirement eligible employees), general and administrative expenses, servicing and asset manager fees, income tax benefits or expenses incurred during the period, as well as the preferred dividend charges. Economic net interest income is a non-GAAP financial measure that equals GAAP net interest income adjusted for interest expense on long term debt, net periodic interest cost of interest rate swaps and excludes interest earned on cash. See a reconciliation of Economic net interest income to the most relevant GAAP measure below.

We view Earnings available for distribution as one measure of our investment portfolio's ability to generate income for distribution to common stockholders. Earnings available for distribution is one of the metrics, but not the exclusive metric, that our Board of Directors uses to determine the amount, if any, of dividends on our common stock. Other metrics that our Board of Directors may consider when determining the amount, if any, of dividends on our common stock include (among others) REIT taxable income, dividend yield, book value, cash generated from the portfolio, reinvestment opportunities and other cash needs. In addition, Earnings available for distribution is different than REIT taxable income and the determination of whether we have met the requirement to distribute at least 90% of our annual REIT taxable income (subject to certain adjustments) to our stockholders in order to maintain qualification as a REIT is not based on Earnings available for distribution. Therefore, Earnings available for distribution should not be considered as an indication of our REIT taxable income, a guaranty of our ability to pay dividends, or as a proxy for the amount of dividends we may pay. We believe Earnings available for distribution as described above helps us and investors evaluate our financial performance period over period without the impact of certain transactions. Therefore, Earnings available for distribution should not be viewed in isolation and is not a substitute for net income or net income per basic share computed in accordance with GAAP. In addition, our methodology for calculating Earnings available for distribution may differ from the methodologies employed by other REITs to calculate the same or similar supplemental performance measures, and accordingly, our Earnings available for distribution may not be comparable to the Earnings available for distribution reported by other REITs.

The following table provides GAAP measures of net income and net income per diluted share available to common stockholders for the periods presented and details with respect to reconciling the line items to Earnings available for distribution and related per average diluted common share amounts. Earnings available for distribution is presented on an adjusted dilutive shares basis. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current period's presentation.

				For t	the Qua	rters End	led		
	D	ecember 31, 2022	Sej	ptember 30, 2022	June 3	0, 2022	March	n 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
				(dollars in tho	usands,	except pe	r share o	data)	
GAAP Net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$	78,716	\$	(204,583) \$	5	(179,765)	\$	(281,202)	\$ (718)
Adjustments:									
Net unrealized (gains) losses on financial instruments at fair value		(112,026)		239,513		239,246		370,167	108,286
Net realized (gains) losses on sales of investments		39,443		37,031		_		_	_
(Gains) losses on extinguishment of debt		_		_		2,897		_	(980)
Increase (decrease) in provision for credit losses		3,834		(1,534)		4,497		240	92
Net unrealized (gains) losses on derivatives		10,171		(10,307)		1,618		_	_
Realized (gains) losses on terminations of interest rate swaps		561		_		_		_	_
Transaction expenses		3,274		2,341		6,727		3,804	4,241
Stock Compensation expense for retirement eligible awards		(309)		(310)		(309)		723	(363)
Other investment (gains) losses		2,383		462		(980)		_	
Earnings available for distribution	\$	26,047	\$	62,613 \$	5	73,931	\$	93,732	\$ 110,558
GAAP net income (loss) per diluted common share	\$	0.34	\$	(0.88) \$	S	(0.76)	\$	(1.19)	<u> </u>
Earnings available for distribution per adjusted diluted common share	\$	0.11	\$	0.27 \$	5	0.31	\$	0.39	\$ 0.46

The following tables provide a summary of the Company's MBS portfolio at December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021.

December 31	. 2022
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(dollars in thousands)		nortized ost Basis	Average Fair Value	Average Coupon	Weighted Average Yield at Period- End ⁽¹⁾			
\$ 1,153,458	\$	46.09	66.05	5.3 %	16.4 %			
439,591		68.60	65.27	4.2 %	6.8 %			
3,286,545		4.95	3.01	0.6 %	5.3 %			
409,940		4.58	3.70	0.9 %	5.0 %			
302,685		101.85	95.62	4.3 %	4.1 %			
2,669,396		5.23	4.73	0.7 %	3.4 %			
\$	439,591 3,286,545 409,940 302,685	439,591 3,286,545 409,940 302,685	439,591 68.60 3,286,545 4.95 409,940 4.58 302,685 101.85	439,591 68.60 65.27 3,286,545 4.95 3.01 409,940 4.58 3.70 302,685 101.85 95.62	439,591 68.60 65.27 4.2 % 3,286,545 4.95 3.01 0.6 % 409,940 4.58 3.70 0.9 % 302,685 101.85 95.62 4.3 %			

⁽¹⁾ Bond Equivalent Yield at period end.

December 31, 2021

	No at	rincipal or tional Value Period-End (dollars in housands)	Weighted Average Amortized Cost Basis	Weighted verage Fair Value	Weighted Average Coupon	Weighted Average Yield at Period- End ⁽¹⁾			
Non-Agency RMBS									
Senior	\$	1,283,788	\$ 48.02	\$ 76.78	4.5 %	18.0 %			
Subordinated		845,432	68.10	77.12	3.8 %	7.1 %			
Interest-only		3,904,665	4.90	4.42	1.7 %	13.2 %			
Agency RMBS									
Interest-only		992,978	10.37	6.09	1.3 %	0.3 %			
Agency CMBS									
Project loans		560,565	101.77	109.61	4.3 %	4.1 %			
Interest-only		2,578,640	5.70	5.69	0.7 %	4.6 %			

⁽¹⁾ Bond Equivalent Yield at period end. At December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021, the secured financing agreements collateralized by MBS and Loans held for investment had the following remaining maturities and borrowing rates.

December 31, 2022

December 31, 2021

(dollars in thousands)

Weighted Average Borrowing Ran Principal (1) Rates Borrowi				Principal (1)	Weighted Average Borrowing Rates	Range of Borrowing Rates
1 to 29 days	493,918	4.66%	3.63% - 6.16%	1,018,670	0.73%	0.11% - 1.95%
30 to 59 days	762,768	6.14%	4.60% - 7.34%	379,031	1.66%	1.55% - 1.70%
60 to 89 days	225,497	6.04%	4.70% - 7.12%	342,790	1.86%	0.90% - 2.35%
90 to 119 days	43,180	6.54%	5.50% - 6.70%	67,840	1.66%	1.66% - 1.66%
120 to 180 days	401,638	5.88%	5.57% - 6.92%	157,944	1.38%	0.95% - 1.45%
180 days to 1 year	402,283	6.06%	5.63% - 6.64%	895,210	3.70%	1.95% - 4.38%
1 to 2 years	251,286	13.98%	13.98% - 13.98%	143,239	3.05%	3.05% - 3.05%
2 to 3 years	480,022	8.07%	8.07% - 8.07%	_	NA	NA
Greater than 3 years	382,839	5.14%	5.10% - 6.07%	256,889	5.56%	5.56% - 5.56%
Total	\$ 3,443,431	6.61%	•	\$ 3,261,613	2.30%	•

⁽¹⁾ The outstanding balance for secured financing agreements in the table above is net of \$1 million and \$3 million of deferred financing cost as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively.

The following table summarizes certain characteristics of our portfolio at December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021.

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
GAAP Leverage at period-end	4.0:1	3.0:1
GAAP Leverage at period-end (recourse)	1.3:1	0.9:1

	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Portfolio Composition	Amortiz	zed Cost	Fair '	Value
Non-Agency RMBS	7.5 %	10.1 %	8.9 %	12.1 %
Senior	4.0 %	4.5 %	5.9 %	6.5 %
Subordinated	2.3 %	4.2 %	2.2 %	4.4 %
Interest-only	1.2 %	1.4 %	0.8 %	1.2 %
Agency RMBS	0.1 %	0.8 %	0.1 %	0.4 %
Pass-through	— %	%	— %	— %
Interest-only	0.1 %	0.8 %	0.1 %	0.4 %
Agency CMBS	3.3 %	5.3 %	3.2 %	5.2 %
Project loans	2.3 %	4.2 %	2.2 %	4.2 %
Interest-only	1.0 %	1.1 %	1.0 %	1.0 %
Loans held for investment	89.1 %	83.8 %	87.8 %	82.3 %
Fixed-rate percentage of portfolio	96.5 %	95.4 %	95.6 %	94.4 %
Adjustable-rate percentage of portfolio	3.5 %	4.6 %	4.4 %	5.6 %

Economic Net Interest Income

Our Economic net interest income is a non-GAAP financial measure that equals GAAP net interest income adjusted for interest expense on long term debt, net periodic interest cost of interest rate swaps and excludes interest earned on cash. For the purpose of computing economic net interest income and ratios relating to cost of funds measures throughout this section, interest expense includes net payments on our interest rate swaps, which is presented as a part of Net gains (losses) on derivatives in our Consolidated Statements of Operations. Interest rate swaps are used to manage the increase in interest paid on secured financing agreements in a rising rate environment. Presenting the net contractual interest payments on interest rate swaps with the interest paid on interest-bearing liabilities reflects our total contractual interest payments. We believe this presentation is useful to investors because it depicts the economic value of our investment strategy by showing all components of interest expense and net interest income of our investment portfolio. However, Economic net interest income should not be viewed in isolation and is not a substitute for net interest income computed in accordance with GAAP. Where indicated, interest expense, adjusting for interest payments on long term debt and any interest earned on cash, is referred to as Economic interest rate swaps and any interest earned on cash, is referred to as Economic net interest income.

The following table reconciles the Economic net interest income to GAAP net interest income and Economic interest expense to GAAP interest expense for the periods presented.

	GAAP Interest Income	GAAP Interest Expense	Int	Periodic erest Cost f Interest ate Swaps	E o	Interest Expense on Long erm Debt	conomic Interest Expense	G	AAP Net Interest Income	(I	et Realized Gains Losses) on terest Rate Swaps	Othe	er ⁽¹⁾]	conomic Net Interest Income
For the Year Ended December 31, 2022	\$ 773,121	\$ 333,293	\$	1,752	\$	_	\$ 335,045	\$	439,828	\$	(1,752) \$	\$ (2	2,505)	\$	435,571
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021	\$ 937,546	\$ 326,628	\$	_	\$	(2,274)	\$ 324,354	\$	610,918	\$	_ \$	\$ 2	2,208	\$	613,126
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020	\$ 1,030,250	\$ 516,181	\$	6,385	\$	(7,082)	\$ 515,484	\$	514,069	\$	(6,385) \$	\$ 5	,755	\$	513,439
For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2022	\$ 187,286	\$ 106,891	\$	1,629	\$		\$ 108,520	\$	80,395	\$	(1,629) \$	\$ (1	,867)	\$	76,899
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2022	\$ 188,303	\$ 83,464	\$	122	\$	_	\$ 83,586	\$	104,839	\$	(122) \$	5	(540)	\$	104,177
For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2022	\$ 195,357	\$ 78,467	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 78,467	\$	116,890	\$	_ \$	5	(81)	\$	116,809
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2022	\$ 202,175	\$ 64,473	\$	_	\$	_	\$ 64,473	\$	137,702	\$	_ \$	5	(18)	\$	137,684

⁽¹⁾ Primarily interest expense on Long term debt, periodic net interest cost on swaps and interest income on cash and cash equivalents.

The table below shows our average earning assets held, interest earned on assets, yield on average interest earning assets, average debt balance, economic interest expense, economic average cost of funds, economic net interest income, and net interest rate spread for the periods presented.

	For the Quarter Ended								
	December 31, 2022 Sept				ember 30, 2022		December 31, 2021 (dollars in thousands)		
	(dollars in thousands)			(dollars in thousands)					
	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/ Cost	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/ Cost	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/ Cost
Assets:									
Interest-earning assets (1):									
Agency RMBS	\$ 31,542	\$ 346	4.4 %	\$ 110,260	\$ 274	1.0 %	\$ 104,684	\$ 71	0.3 %
Agency CMBS	441,421	4,291	3.9 %	445,191	4,784	4.3 %	851,886	27,711	13.0 %
Non-Agency RMBS	1,013,693	29,304	11.6 %	1,061,412	33,565	12.6 %	1,406,876	51,644	14.7 %
Loans held for investment	12,075,239	151,478	5.0 %	12,022,445	149,140	5.0 %	11,498,173	141,724	4.9 %
Total	\$13,561,895	\$185,419	5.5 %	\$13,639,308	\$187,763	5.5 %	\$13,861,619	\$221,150	6.4 %
Liabilities and stockholders' equity:									
Interest-bearing liabilities (2):									
Secured financing agreements collateralized by:									
Agency RMBS	\$ 4,547	\$ 46	4.0 %	\$ 6,560	\$ 45	2.7 %	\$ 23,824	\$ 40	0.7 %
Agency CMBS	358,914	3,464	3.9 %	350,883	2,009	2.3 %	731,577	346	0.2 %
Non-Agency RMBS	788,795	13,275	6.7 %	853,768	7,368	3.5 %	839,898	5,837	2.8 %
Loans held for investment	1,971,144	33,776	6.9 %	1,845,075	21,181	4.6 %	1,872,915	13,281	2.8 %
Securitized debt	8,056,913	57,959	2.9 %	8,176,766	52,983	2.6 %	8,009,117	47,094	2.4 %
Total	\$11,180,313	\$108,520	3.9 %	\$11,233,052	\$ 83,586	3.0 %	\$11,477,331	\$ 66,598	2.3 %
Economic net interest income/net interest rate spread		\$ 76,899	1.6 %		\$104,177	2.5 %		\$154,552	4.1 %
Net interest-earning assets/net interest margin	\$ 2,381,582		2.3 %	\$ 2,406,256		3.1 %	\$ 2,384,288		4.5 %
Ratio of interest-earning assets to interest bearing liabilities	1.21			1.21			1.21		

⁽¹⁾ Interest-earning assets at amortized cost

swaps

The table below shows our Net Income and Economic net interest income as a percentage of average stockholders' equity and Earnings available for distribution as a percentage of average common stockholders' equity. Return on average equity is defined as our GAAP net income (loss) as a percentage of average equity. Average equity is defined as the average of our beginning and ending stockholders' equity balance for the period reported. Economic Net Interest Income and Earnings available for distribution are non-GAAP measures as defined in previous sections.

⁽²⁾ Interest includes periodic net interest cost on

Return on Average Equity

Economic Net Interest Income/ Average Equity * Earnings available for distribution/ Average Common Equity

(Ratios have been annualized)

For the Year Ended December 31, 2022	(16.69)%	14.17 %	11.96 %
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021	18.05 %	16.52 %	15.42 %
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020	2.46 %	14.21 %	12.43 %
For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2022	14.61 %	11.56 %	6.02 %
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2022	(26.47)%	14.81 %	13.30 %
For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2022	(20.45)%	14.81 %	13.29 %
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2022	(29.72)%	15.57 %	14.38 %

^{*} Excludes long term debt expense.

The following table presents changes to Accretable Discount (net of premiums) as it pertains to our Non-Agency RMBS portfolio, excluding premiums on IOs, during the previous five quarters.

For the Quarters Ended

(dollars in thousands)

Accretable Discount (Net of Premiums)	December 31, 2022	September 30, 2022	June 30, 2022	March 31, 2022	December 31, 2021
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 207,812 \$	241,391 \$	258,494 \$	333,546 \$	352,545
Accretion of discount	(11,128)	(12,989)	(17,408)	(19,470)	(22,172)
Purchases	_	_	_	_	_
Sales	(17,935)	_	_	_	_
Elimination in consolidation	_	_	_	(60,361)	_
Transfers from/(to) credit reserve, net	(2,114)	(20,590)	305	4,779	3,173
Balance, end of period	\$ 176,635 \$	207,812 \$	241,391 \$	258,494 \$	333,546

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