

# CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORP

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):  
November 3, 2015

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

1-33796  
(Commission  
File Number)

26-0630461  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

520 Madison Avenue  
New York, New York  
(Address of principal executive offices)

10022  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 626-2300

No Change  
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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## Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On November 3, 2015, the registrant issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2015. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

On November 3, 2015, the registrant posted supplemental financial information on the Investor Relations section of its website ([www.chimerareit.com](http://www.chimerareit.com)). A copy of the supplemental financial information is furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this report and incorporated herein by reference.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

### (d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release, dated November 3, 2015, issued by Chimera Investment Corporation

99.2 Supplemental Financial Information for the quarter ended September 30, 2015.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Chimera Investment Corporation

By:     /s/ Rob Colligan    

Name: Rob Colligan

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 3, 2015

## CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION RELEASES 3RD QUARTER 2015 EARNINGS

- **CORE EARNINGS OF \$98 MILLION OR \$0.50 PER SHARE**
- **PURCHASED 16.6 MILLION OR 8% OF CHIMERA'S OUTSTANDING SHARES FOR \$231 MILLION OR \$13.94 PER SHARE; A 17% DISCOUNT FROM Q2 2015 ENDING GAAP BOOK VALUE PER SHARE**
- **BECAME A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK OF DES MOINES THROUGH WHOLLY-OWNED INSURANCE COMPANY**
- **GAAP BOOK VALUE OF \$16.38 PER SHARE**
- **GAAP NET LOSS OF \$48 MILLION OR \$0.24 PER SHARE**

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--November 3, 2015--"Chimera had a number of positive advances in the third quarter. We made significant progress in our transition to a fully independent, internally managed mortgage REIT, repurchased \$231 million of our stock and became a member of the Federal Home Loan Bank System. Chimera has also taken a number of steps to position our portfolio and balance sheet in light of the continuing volatility in the fixed income market. This includes lowering our interest rate risk by reducing our Agency portfolio by \$2 billion earlier this year, increasing the notional balances of our interest rate swaps and extending the term of our non-agency financing. Given the current uncertainty around interest rates, we believe defending book value in the near term while creating an investor friendly operating structure will be the right path to maximizing value for our shareholders over the long term."

### *3rd Quarter 2015 Financial Results and Highlights*

- Core earnings <sup>(1)</sup> of \$0.50 per share down, from \$0.53 earned in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2015 and \$0.56 earned in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2014. Core earnings for the third quarter were based on 198 million average shares outstanding for the quarter compared to 189 million shares currently outstanding.
- Net interest income of \$144 million, down from \$150 million in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2015 and \$151 million in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2014
- GAAP book value of \$16.38 per share, down from \$16.73 per share for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2015 and down from \$17.50 per share in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2014
- Economic book value of \$15.28 per share, down from \$15.54 per share for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2015 and \$15.75 for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2014
- Purchased 8% of Chimera's outstanding shares during the quarter which is expected to be beneficial to Chimera's shareholders in future quarters.
  - Purchased all shares held by Annaly, 4.4% of outstanding, for \$14.05 per share.
  - Open market purchases were executed at \$13.81 per share for an average of \$13.94 per share on all purchases.
- Exercised call right on Springleaf 2012-2 trust and securitized related mortgage loans in a new CIM 2015-3AG trust reducing financing costs from 4.1% to 2.2%. Incurred \$2.4m of non-recurring deal expenses during the third quarter in relation to this transaction.

(1) Core earnings is a non-GAAP measure and is defined as GAAP net income (loss) excluding unrealized gains on the aggregate portfolio, impairment losses, realized gains on sales of investments, gain on deconsolidation, extinguishment of debt and certain other non-recurring gains or losses. Core earnings includes interest income and expense as well as realized gains or losses on derivatives used to hedge interest rate risk, including \$9m of realized losses on treasury futures during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2015. Core earnings is provided for purposes of comparability to other peer issuers, but has important limitations. Therefore, core earnings 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.

Gross asset yields were 8.3% on the residential mortgage credit portfolio and 2.8% on the Agency MBS portfolio. The net interest spread on the total portfolio was 3.4% and net interest margin was 4.0% reflecting total leverage of 3.8:1 and recourse "at risk" leverage of 2.5:1 at September 30, 2015.

The Company declared a common stock dividend of \$0.48 per share for the quarter ended September 30, 2015. The annualized dividend yield on the Company's common stock for the quarter ended September 30, 2015 was 14%.

### **Other Information**

Chimera Investment Corporation invests in residential mortgage loans, residential mortgage-backed securities, real estate-related securities and various other asset classes. The Company's principal business objective is to generate income from the spread between yields on its investments and its cost of borrowing and hedging activities. The Company is a Maryland corporation that has elected to be taxed as a real estate investment trust ("REIT").

Please visit [www.chimerareit.com](http://www.chimerareit.com) and click on Investor Relations for additional information about the Company.

**CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION**  
(dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)  
(Unaudited)

	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
<b>Assets:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 40,097	\$ 164,620
Non-Agency RMBS, at fair value	3,789,967	3,404,149
Agency RMBS, at fair value	6,514,728	8,441,522
Securitized loans held for investment, net of allowance for loan losses of \$0 million and \$7 million, respectively	-	626,112
Securitized loans held for investment, at fair value	5,281,652	4,699,215
Receivable for investments sold	57,680	1,572,056
Accrued interest receivable	69,774	71,099
Other assets	173,512	172,601
Derivatives, at fair value, net	12,235	3,631
<b>Total assets (1)</b>	<b>\$ 15,939,645</b>	<b>\$ 19,155,005</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Repurchase agreements, RMBS (\$8.5 billion and \$9.3 billion pledged as collateral, respectively)	\$ 7,150,821	\$ 8,455,381
Securitized debt, collateralized by Non-Agency RMBS (\$2.2 billion and \$2.5 billion pledged as collateral, respectively)	571,853	704,915
Securitized debt, collateralized by loans held for investment (\$0 million and \$626 million pledged as collateral, respectively)	-	521,997
Securitized debt at fair value, collateralized by loans held for investment (\$5.3 billion and \$4.7 billion pledged as collateral, respectively)	4,221,295	3,868,366
Payable for investments purchased	715,512	1,845,282
Accrued interest payable	39,842	31,888
Dividends payable	91,383	92,483
Accounts payable and other liabilities	11,516	2,469
Investment management fees payable	3,992	10,357
Derivatives, at fair value	14,714	14,177
<b>Total liabilities (1)</b>	<b>12,820,928</b>	<b>15,547,315</b>
Commitments and Contingencies (See Note 16)		
<b>Stockholders' Equity:</b>		
Preferred Stock: par value \$0.01 per share; 100,000,000 shares authorized, 0 shares issued and outstanding, respectively	\$ -	\$ -
Common stock: par value \$0.01 per share; 300,000,000 shares authorized, 190,394,216 and 205,546,144 shares issued and outstanding, respectively	10,163	10,275
Additional paid-in-capital	3,394,637	3,606,191
Accumulated other comprehensive income	935,248	1,046,680
Accumulated deficit	(1,221,331)	(1,055,456)
<b>Total stockholders' equity</b>	<b>\$ 3,118,717</b>	<b>\$ 3,607,690</b>
<b>Total liabilities and stockholders' equity</b>	<b>\$ 15,939,645</b>	<b>\$ 19,155,005</b>

(1) The Company's consolidated statements of financial condition include assets of consolidated variable interest entities ("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 Corp.). As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, total assets of consolidated VIEs were \$7,649,737 and \$7,924,232, respectively, and total liabilities of consolidated VIEs were \$4,806,481 and \$5,111,348, respectively.

### ***Core earnings***

Core earnings is a non-GAAP measure and is defined as GAAP net income excluding unrealized gains on the aggregate portfolio, impairment losses, realized gains on sales of investments, gain on deconsolidation, extinguishment of debt and certain other non-recurring gains or losses. As defined, core earnings include interest income and expense as well as realized gains or losses on derivatives used to hedge interest rate risk. Core earnings are provided for the purpose of comparability to other peer issuers, but have important limitations. Core earnings as described above helps evaluate our financial performance without the impact of certain transactions and is of limited usefulness as an analytical tool. Therefore, core earnings 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.

The following table provides GAAP measures of net income and net income per basic share available to common stockholders for the quarters ended September 30, 2015 and 2014 and details with respect to reconciling the line items to core earnings and related per average basic common share amounts:

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	For the Quarter Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2015	September 30, 2014	September 30, 2015	September 30, 2014
	(dollars in thousands, except per share data)			
<b>GAAP Net income</b>	<u>\$ (48,259)</u>	<u>\$ 377,580</u>	<u>\$ 134,969</u>	<u>\$ 582,717</u>
Adjustments:				
Net other-than-temporary credit impairment losses	17,832	1,990	52,748	8,871
Net unrealized gains (losses) on derivatives	71,540	(12,975)	(20,543)	11,720
Net unrealized (gains) losses on financial instruments at fair value	40,955	(162,921)	88,640	(183,722)
Net realized (gains) losses on sales of investments	(3,539)	(64,107)	(42,789)	(68,145)
(Gains) losses on extinguishment of debt	19,915	-	14,836	2,184
Gain on deconsolidation	-	-	-	(47,846)
Realized (gains) losses on terminations of interest rate swaps	-	-	99,703	-
Other (income) expense	-	(23,783)	-	(23,783)
Core Earnings	<u>\$ 98,444</u>	<u>\$ 115,784</u>	<u>\$ 327,564</u>	<u>\$ 281,996</u>
GAAP net income per basic common share	<u>\$ (0.24)</u>	<u>\$ 1.85</u>	<u>\$ 0.65</u>	<u>\$ 2.85</u>
Core earnings per basic common share	<u>\$ 0.50</u>	<u>\$ 0.55</u>	<u>\$ 1.61</u>	<u>\$ 1.36</u>



**CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
(dollars in thousands, except share and per share data)  
(Unaudited)

	For the Quarter Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2015	September 30, 2014	September 30, 2015	September 30, 2014
<b>Net Interest Income:</b>				
Interest income (1)	\$ 211,876	\$ 190,355	\$ 670,825	\$ 445,340
Interest expense (2)	67,910	38,886	194,410	81,991
Net interest income	143,966	151,469	476,415	363,349
<b>Other-than-temporary impairments:</b>				
Total other-than-temporary impairment losses	(3,129)	(726)	(6,389)	(4,939)
Portion of loss recognized in other comprehensive income	(14,703)	(1,264)	(46,359)	(3,932)
Net other-than-temporary credit impairment losses	(17,832)	(1,990)	(52,748)	(8,871)
<b>Other investment gains (losses):</b>				
Net unrealized gains (losses) on derivatives	(71,540)	12,975	20,543	(11,720)
Realized gains (losses) on terminations of interest rate swaps	-	-	(99,703)	-
Net realized gains (losses) on derivatives	(21,160)	(23,152)	(80,023)	(48,692)
<b>Net gains (losses) on derivatives</b>	<b>(92,700)</b>	<b>(10,177)</b>	<b>(159,183)</b>	<b>(60,412)</b>
Net unrealized gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value	(40,955)	162,921	(88,640)	183,722
Net realized gains (losses) on sales of investments	3,539	64,107	42,789	68,145
Gain on deconsolidation	-	-	-	47,846
Gains (losses) on Extinguishment of Debt	(19,915)	-	(14,836)	(2,184)
Realized losses on principal write-downs of Non-Agency RMBS	-	-	-	-
Total other gains (losses)	(150,031)	216,851	(219,870)	237,117
<b>Other expenses:</b>				
Management fees	4,088	9,381	24,610	21,873
Expense recoveries from Manager	(1,140)	(1,975)	(6,905)	(4,820)
Net management fees	2,948	7,406	17,705	17,053
Compensation and benefits	3,955	-	4,482	-
General and administrative expenses	8,534	2,538	22,028	11,996
Servicing Fees of consolidated VIEs	6,499	2,589	19,276	3,610
Deal Expenses	2,426	-	5,337	-
Other (income) expense	-	(23,783)	-	(23,783)
Total other expenses	24,362	(11,250)	68,828	8,876
<b>Income (loss) before income taxes</b>	<b>(48,259)</b>	<b>377,580</b>	<b>134,969</b>	<b>582,719</b>
Income taxes	-	-	-	2
<b>Net income (loss)</b>	<b>\$ (48,259)</b>	<b>\$ 377,580</b>	<b>\$ 134,969</b>	<b>\$ 582,717</b>
<b>Net income (loss) per share available to common shareholders:</b>				
Basic	\$ (0.24)	\$ 1.85	\$ 0.65	\$ 2.85
Diluted	\$ (0.24)	\$ 1.85	\$ 0.65	\$ 2.85
<b>Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:</b>				
Basic	197,787,858	205,436,676	202,891,610	205,443,605
Diluted	197,875,408	205,501,776	202,979,160	205,508,748
<b>Comprehensive income (loss):</b>				
Net income (loss)	\$ (48,259)	\$ 377,580	\$ 134,969	\$ 582,717
Other comprehensive income:				
Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities, net	16,512	(74,155)	(121,142)	63,995
Reclassification adjustment for net losses included in net income for other-than-temporary credit impairment losses	17,832	1,990	52,748	8,871
Reclassification adjustment for net realized losses (gains) included in net income	(3,903)	(62,477)	(43,038)	(70,817)
Reclassification adjustment for gain on deconsolidation included in net income	-	-	-	(47,846)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	30,441	(134,642)	(111,432)	(45,797)
Comprehensive income (loss)	\$ (17,818)	\$ 242,938	\$ 23,537	\$ 536,920

- (1) Includes interest income of consolidated VIEs of \$142,053 and \$103,742 for the quarters ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.  
Includes interest income of consolidated VIEs of \$439,571 and \$274,215 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.  
See Note 8 for further discussion.
- (2) Includes interest expense of consolidated VIEs of \$50,837 and \$28,984 for the quarters ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.  
Includes interest expense of consolidated VIEs of \$148,017 and \$66,859 for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.  
See Note 8 for further discussion.

The following tables provide a summary of the Company's RMBS portfolio at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

All Portfolio Assets

	September 30, 2015						
	Principal or Notional Value at Period-End (dollars in thousands)		Weighted Average Amortized Cost Basis		Weighted Average Fair Value	Weighted Average Coupon	Weighted Average Yield at Period-End (1)
Non-Agency RMBS							
Senior	\$ 3,691,932	\$	57.29	\$	78.46	3.8%	17.2%
Senior, interest-only	5,673,250		4.77		4.31	1.6%	13.0%
Subordinated	821,814		63.76		77.25	3.1%	10.1%
Subordinated, interest-only	297,851		5.61		4.65	1.3%	10.9%
Agency MBS							
Residential pass-through	5,061,800		105.21		105.68	3.8%	3.1%
Commercial pass-through	853,404		102.21		104.14	3.4%	3.0%
Interest-only	6,593,418		4.25		4.20	0.8%	3.6%

(1) Bond Equivalent Yield at period end.

	December 31, 2014						
	Principal or Notional Value at Period-End (dollars in thousands)		Weighted Average Amortized Cost Basis		Weighted Average Fair Value	Weighted Average Coupon	Weighted Average Yield at Period-End (1)
Non-Agency RMBS							
Senior	\$ 3,435,362	\$	55.09	\$	79.63	4.3%	15.9%
Senior, interest-only	5,221,937		4.35		3.97	1.6%	14.4%
Subordinated	690,599		50.18		65.79	3.1%	10.6%
Subordinated, interest-only	216,403		4.43		3.14	0.9%	9.2%
Agency MBS							
Pass-through	7,774,266		104.96		106.19	4.0%	3.2%
Interest-only	3,884,523		4.89		4.79	0.9%	3.1%

(1) Bond Equivalent Yield at period end.

At September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the repurchase agreements collateralized by RMBS had the following remaining maturities.

	September 30, 2015		December 31, 2014
	(dollars in thousands)		
Overnight	\$	33,119	\$ -
1 to 29 days		1,620,979	2,652,717
30 to 59 days		1,846,105	1,371,856
60 to 89 days		877,448	656,915
90 to 119 days		1,224,940	2,068,740
Greater than or equal to 120 days		1,548,230	1,705,153
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7,150,821</b>	<b>\$ 8,455,381</b>
Average days to maturity		114 Days	100 Days

The following table summarizes certain characteristics of our portfolio at September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

	September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Interest earning assets at period-end (1)	\$ 15,586,347	\$ 17,170,998
Interest bearing liabilities at period-end	\$ 11,943,969	\$ 13,550,659
Leverage at period-end	3.8:1	3.8:1
Leverage at period-end (recourse)	2.5:1	2.6:1
Portfolio Composition, at amortized cost		
Non-Agency RMBS	9.8%	5.1%
Senior	4.3%	1.5%
Senior, interest only	1.8%	1.4%
Subordinated	3.6%	2.2%
Subordinated, interest only	0.1%	0.1%
RMBS transferred to consolidated VIEs	10.2%	10.3%
Agency MBS	44.3%	52.1%
Residential	36.4%	50.9%
Commercial	6.0%	N/A
Interest-only	1.9%	1.2%
Securitized loans held for investment	35.7%	32.5%
Fixed-rate percentage of portfolio	85.6%	92.5%
Adjustable-rate percentage of portfolio	14.4%	7.5%
Annualized yield on average interest earning assets for the year ended	6.1%	6.9%
Annualized cost of funds on average borrowed funds for the year ended (2)	2.5%	2.5%

(1) Excludes cash and cash equivalents.

(2) Includes the effect of realized losses on interest rate swaps.

The tables below present the adjustments to GAAP book value that we believe are necessary to adequately reflect our calculation of estimated economic book value as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014.

September 30, 2015  
(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

GAAP Book Value	\$	3,118,717
GAAP Book Value per Share	\$	16.38
<u>Economic Adjustments:</u>		
Assets of Consolidated VIEs		(7,525,004)
Non-Recourse Liabilities of Consolidated VIEs		4,793,148
Interests in VIEs eliminated in consolidation		2,522,817
<b>Total Adjustments - Net</b>		<b>(209,039)</b>
<b>Total Adjustments - Net (per share)</b>		<b>1.10</b>
<b>Economic Book Value</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,909,678</b>
<b>Economic Book Value per Share</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>15.28</b>

December 31, 2014  
(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

GAAP Book Value	\$	3,607,690
GAAP Book Value per Share	\$	17.55
<u>Economic Adjustments:</u>		
Assets of Consolidated VIEs		(7,798,794)
Non-Recourse Liabilities of Consolidated VIEs		5,095,278
Interests in VIEs eliminated in consolidation		2,367,953
<b>Total Adjustments - Net</b>		<b>(335,563)</b>
<b>Total Adjustments - Net (per share)</b>		<b>1.65</b>
<b>Economic Book Value</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,272,127</b>
<b>Economic Book Value per Share</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>15.90</b>

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					
	September 30, 2015			September 30, 2014		
	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/Cost	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/Cost
(dollars in thousands)						
<b>Assets:</b>						
Interest-earning assets (1):						
Agency RMBS	\$ 5,935,743	\$ 42,132	2.8%	\$ 7,614,237	\$ 64,065	3.4%
Non-Agency RMBS	1,450,827	27,579	7.6%	812,667	22,544	11.1%
Non-Agency RMBS transferred to consolidated VIEs	1,527,414	65,028	17.0%	1,787,994	71,108	15.9%
Jumbo Prime securitized residential mortgage loans held for investment	510,708	3,972	3.1%	710,865	5,282	3.0%
Seasoned sub-prime securitized residential mortgage loans held for investment	4,664,014	73,054	6.3%	1,556,948	27,352	7.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 14,088,706</b>	<b>\$ 211,765</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>\$ 12,482,711</b>	<b>\$ 190,351</b>	<b>6.1%</b>
<b>Liabilities and stockholders' equity:</b>						
Interest-bearing liabilities:						
Agency repurchase agreements (2)	\$ 5,243,274	\$ 18,690	1.4%	\$ 7,181,000	\$ 23,872	1.3%
Non-Agency repurchase agreements	1,772,806	9,739	2.2%	560,836	3,162	2.3%
Securitized debt, collateralized by Non-Agency RMBS	598,562	9,946	6.6%	765,028	13,540	7.1%
Securitized debt, collateralized by jumbo prime residential mortgage loans	401,222	3,227	3.2%	588,699	5,205	3.5%
Securitized debt, collateralized by seasoned sub-prime residential mortgage loans	3,843,969	35,449	3.7%	1,255,689	10,239	3.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,859,833</b>	<b>\$ 77,051</b>	<b>2.6%</b>	<b>\$ 10,351,252</b>	<b>\$ 56,018</b>	<b>2.2%</b>
<b>Net economic interest income/net interest rate spread</b>		<b>\$ 134,714</b>	<b>3.4%</b>		<b>\$ 134,333</b>	<b>3.9%</b>
<b>Net interest-earning assets/net interest margin</b>	<b>\$ 2,228,873</b>		<b>4.0%</b>	<b>\$ 2,131,459</b>		<b>4.3%</b>
<b>Ratio of interest-earning assets to interest bearing liabilities</b>		<b>1.19</b>			<b>1.21</b>	

(1) Interest-earning assets at amortized cost

(2) Interest includes cash paid on swaps

	For the Nine Months Ended					
	September 30, 2015			September 30, 2014		
	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/Cost	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/Cost
(dollars in thousands)						
<b>Assets:</b>						
Interest-earning assets (1):						
Agency RMBS	\$ 6,713,571	\$ 154,739	3.1%	\$ 4,321,091	\$ 109,322	3.4%
Non-Agency RMBS	1,224,947	77,654	8.5%	796,297	61,791	10.3%
Non-Agency RMBS transferred to consolidated VIEs	1,583,689	202,096	17.0%	1,921,600	225,417	15.6%
Jumbo Prime securitized residential mortgage loans held for investment	560,772	18,225	4.3%	742,858	21,446	3.8%
Seasoned sub-prime securitized residential mortgage loans held for investment	4,581,975	219,250	6.4%	518,983	27,352	7.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 14,664,954</b>	<b>\$ 671,964</b>	<b>6.1%</b>	<b>\$ 8,300,829</b>	<b>\$ 445,328</b>	<b>7.2%</b>
<b>Liabilities and stockholders' equity:</b>						
Interest-bearing liabilities:						
Agency repurchase agreements (2)	\$ 5,945,916	\$ 57,930	1.3%	\$ 3,921,089	\$ 46,036	1.6%
Non-Agency repurchase agreements	1,466,067	24,017	2.2%	246,603	3,939	2.1%
Securitized debt, collateralized by Non-Agency RMBS	645,086	27,111	5.6%	823,113	39,559	6.4%
Securitized debt, collateralized by jumbo prime residential mortgage loans	449,424	13,725	4.1%	621,142	17,061	3.7%
Securitized debt, collateralized by seasoned sub-prime residential mortgage loans	3,817,215	104,965	3.7%	418,563	10,239	3.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 12,323,708</b>	<b>\$ 227,748</b>	<b>2.5%</b>	<b>\$ 6,030,510</b>	<b>\$ 116,834</b>	<b>2.6%</b>
<b>Net economic interest income/net interest rate spread</b>		<b>\$ 444,216</b>	<b>3.6%</b>		<b>\$ 328,494</b>	<b>4.6%</b>
<b>Net interest-earning assets/net interest margin</b>	<b>\$ 2,341,246</b>		<b>4.0%</b>	<b>\$ 2,270,319</b>		<b>5.3%</b>
<b>Ratio of interest-earning assets to interest bearing liabilities</b>		<b>1.19</b>			<b>1.38</b>	

(1) Interest-earning assets at amortized cost

(2) Interest includes cash paid on swaps

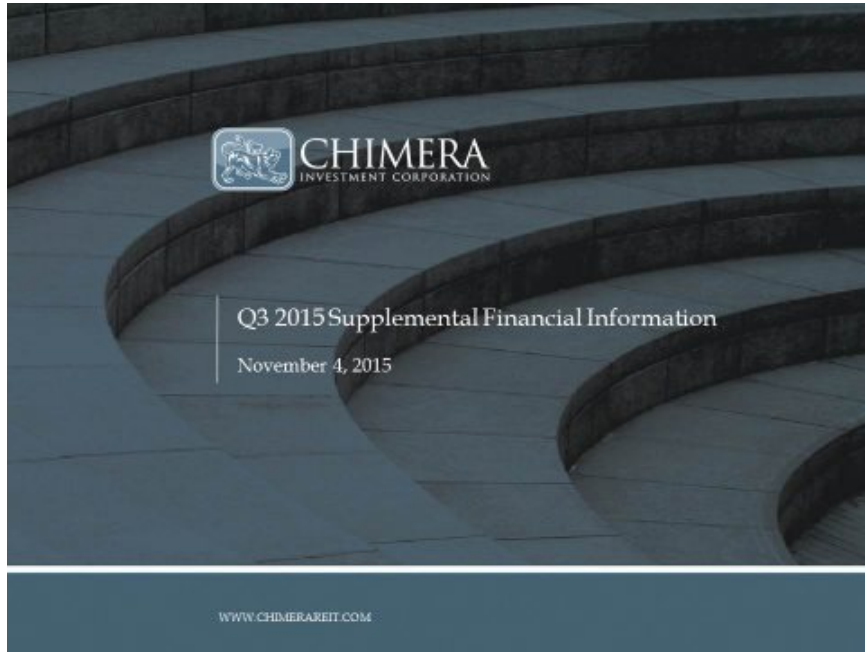
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# Portfolio Composition as of September 30, 2015

Total Portfolio: \$15.6 Billion      Total Capital: \$3.1 Billion  
Total Leverage: 3.8:1



## Net Investment Analysis

	Residential Mortgage Credit Portfolio	Agency MBS Portfolio	Total Portfolio
Gross Asset Yield:	8.3%	2.8%	6.0%
Financing Cost <sup>(2)</sup> :	3.5%	1.4%	2.6%
Net Interest Spread:	4.8%	1.4%	3.4%
Net Interest Margin:	5.5%	1.6%	3.8%

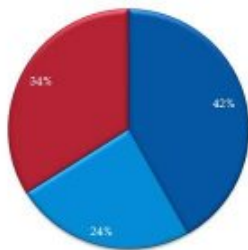
(1) Excludes unsettled trades.  
(2) Includes the interest incurred on interest rate swaps.



GAAP Asset Allocation: Quarter Over Quarter Comparison<sup>(1)</sup>

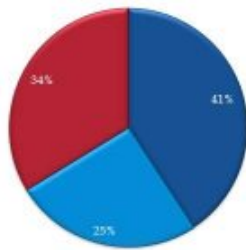
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■ Agency MBS ■ Non-Agency RMBS ■ Securitized Loan Portfolio

Total Portfolio: \$15.6 Billion



■ Agency MBS ■ Non-Agency RMBS ■ Securitized Loan Portfolio

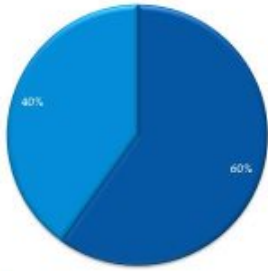
Total Portfolio: \$15.4 Billion

(1) Based on Fair Value.

## GAAP Financing Sources: Quarter Over Quarter Comparison

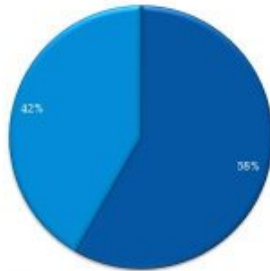
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■ Repurchase Agreements, RMBS (1)  
■ Non-Recourse Debt, Securitized RMBS and Loans

Total Financing: \$11.9 Billion



■ Repurchase Agreements, RMBS (1)  
■ Non-Recourse Debt, Securitized RMBS and Loans

Total Financing: \$11.7 Billion

(1) Consists of tranches of RMBS and loan securitizations sold to third parties.

## Agency & Repo Summary

(\$ in thousands)

### Agency Securities - As of September 30, 2015

Security Type	Coupon <sup>(1)</sup>	Current Face	Weighted Average Price	Weighted Average CPR
	3.50%	\$2,114,565	104.13	7.8
Agency Pass-through	4.00%	2,541,855	106.51	14.5
	4.50%	405,080	108.55	23.7
Commercial	3.4%	853,404	102.21	2.0
Agency IO	0.9%	N/A <sup>(2)</sup>	4.25	12.4
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$5,915,204</b>		

### Agency Securities - As of June 30, 2015

Security Type	Coupon <sup>(1)</sup>	Current Face	Weighted Average Price	Weighted Average CPR
	3.50%	\$1,928,061	102.8	7.9
Agency Pass-through	4.00%	2,720,829	105.6	21.5
	4.50%	437,109	108.2	20.6
Commercial	3.4%	600,438	101.96	0.0
Agency IO	0.9%	N/A <sup>(2)</sup>	4.44	9.4
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$5,746,457</b>		

### Repo Days to Maturity - As of September 30, 2015

Maturity	Principal Balance <sup>(3)</sup>	Weighted Average Rate	Weighted Average Days
Within 30 days	1,271,172	0.54%	
30 to 59 days	1,705,593	0.50%	
60 to 89 days	714,365	0.61%	
90 to 360 days	1,158,161	0.57%	
Over 360 days	300,000	1.00%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,149,291</b>	<b>0.57%</b>	<b>80</b>

### Repo Days to Maturity - As of June 30, 2015

Maturity	Principal Balance <sup>(3)</sup>	Weighted Average Rate	Weighted Average Days
Within 30 days	\$1,329,902	0.44%	
30 to 59 days	1,572,481	0.40%	
60 to 89 days	975,458	0.47%	
90 to 360 days	1,112,391	0.45%	
Over 360 days	300,000	1.00%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,290,232</b>	<b>0.48%</b>	<b>67</b>

(1) Coupon is a weighted average for Commercial and Agency IO

(2) Notional Agency IO was \$6.6 and \$6.5 billion as of 9/30/2015 and 6/30/2015 respectively.

(3) Excludes unsettled trades



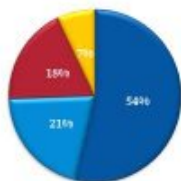
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Interest Rate Sensitivity as of September 30, 2015

Agency, Swap and Derivative Portfolio

Description (\$ in thousands)	+ 100 Basis Points	+ 50 Basis Points	Unchanged	-50 Basis Points	-100 Basis Points
<b>Agency Securities</b>					
Market Value	\$6,125,630	\$6,335,277	\$6,354,727	\$6,643,394	\$6,748,994
Percentage Change	(3.5%)	(2.7%)	-	2.0%	3.6%
<b>Swap</b>					
Market Value	174,953	87,978	-	(87,378)	(159,102)
Percentage Change	2.7%	1.4%	-	(1.3%)	(2.4%)
<b>Futures</b>					
Market Value	44,564	22,709	-	(22,230)	(41,795)
Percentage Change	0.7%	0.3%	-	(0.3%)	(0.6%)
<b>Net Gain/(Loss)</b>	(136,251)	(45,704)	-	19,000	33,371
<b>Percentage Change in Portfolio Value<sup>(1)</sup></b>	(2.1%)	(1.0%)	-	0.3%	0.5%

Hedge Book Maturities



■ Near Term 0-3 ■ Short Term 3-5  
■ Medium Term 5-10 ■ Long Term 10-30

(1) Based on instantaneous moves in interest rates.

## Consolidated RMBS & Loan Securitizations

2 in thousands			At Issuance / Acquisition			As of September 30, 2015		
Vintage	Deal	Type	Total Original Face	Total of Tranches Sold	Total of Tranches Retained	Total Remaining Face	Remaining Face of Tranches Sold	Remaining Face of Tranches Retained
2013	Whole Loan Securitization	CSAC 2013-ARL4	\$97,896	\$18,656	\$218,462	\$392,759	\$541,151	\$51,622
2013	Whole Loan Securitization	CBM 2013-340 <sup>(1)</sup>	698,812	520,935	177,877	683,156	593,747	178,390
2013	Whole Loan Securitization	CBM 2013-240 <sup>(2)</sup>	330,285	276,995	53,290	303,520	254,527	51,993
2013	Whole Loan Securitization	CBM 2013-1EC	268,731	214,935	53,796	254,200	201,305	54,895
2014	Whole Loan Securitization	CSAC 2014-CBL <sup>(3)</sup>	335,985	268,057	67,928	294,052	229,439	64,613
2011-2013	Whole Loan Securitization	SLFMT 2013-3A	1,032,965	899,656	133,309	734,959	321,503	235,152
2011-2013	Whole Loan Securitization	SLFMT 2013-1A	1,821,846	1,919,291	2,555	781,511	721,298	60,213
2011-2013	Whole Loan Securitization	SLFMT 2013-2A	1,137,305	1,134,464	2,841	933,738	917,025	16,713
2011-2013	Whole Loan Securitization	SLFMT 2013-3A	500,190	499,139	1,051	449,584	284,344	165,240
2014	RBS Securitization	CSAC 2014-4R <sup>(4)</sup>	367,271	-	367,271	393,443	-	300,443
2012	Whole Loan Securitization	CSAC 2012-CBL	741,939	707,430	34,509	122,503	90,817	31,686
2012	Whole Loan Securitization	CSAC 2012-CBL2	425,891	404,241	21,650	97,234	77,638	19,596
2012	Whole Loan Securitization	CSAC 2012-CBL3	329,836	305,894	24,942	151,189	149,378	2,811
2010	RBS Securitization	CSAC 2010-1R	1,732,381	691,430	1,040,951	731,183	46,833	704,430
2010	RBS Securitization	CSAC 2010-2R	366,371	338,839	27,532	318,664	113,739	214,881
2009	RBS Securitization	CSAC 2009-1R	1,732,685	915,566	817,119	853,116	189,879	663,237
2009	RBS Securitization	JPSBS 2009-7	1,522,474	856,925	665,549	622,852	218,435	404,417
2009	RBS Securitization	MAAC 2009-32	281,563	192,590	88,973	119,740	50,363	69,377
2008	Whole Loan Securitization	PHDAC 2008-CBL	619,730	349,342	270,388	79,389	36,923	22,466
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$14,034,995</b>	<b>\$9,482,678</b>	<b>\$4,052,369</b>	<b>\$8,152,690</b>	<b>\$4,952,468</b>	<b>\$3,198,792</b>
			% of origination remaining			58%	35%	7%

- (1) Confirms collateral from Springleaf 2013-3A Trust.  
 (2) Confirms collateral from Springleaf 2013-1A Trust.  
 (3) Confirms collateral from Springleaf 2013-3A Trust.  
 (4) Confirms collateral from CSAC 2014-1R Trust.



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