UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

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): February 17, 2022

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland1-3379626-0630461(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)(Commission
File Number)(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

630 Fifth Avenue, STE 2400 New York, New York (Address of principal executive offices) 10111 (Zip Code)

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

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of Each Exchange on Which Registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	CIM	New York Stock Exchange
8.00% Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock	CIM PRA	New York Stock Exchange
8.00% Series B Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock	CIM PRB	New York Stock Exchange
7.75% Series C Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock	CIM PRC	New York Stock Exchange
8.00% Series D Fixed-to-Floating Rate Cumulative Redeemable Preferred	CIM PRD	New York Stock Exchange

Registrant's Web site address: www.chimerareit.com

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:
☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

 \square Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).
Emerging growth company \square
If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On February 17, 2022, the registrant issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2021. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

On February 17, 2022, the registrant posted supplemental financial information on the News & Events - Press Releases section of its website (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 February 17, 2022, issued by Chimera Investment Corporation
- 99.2 Supplemental Financial Information for the quarter ended December 31, 2021

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: <u>/s/ Subramaniam Viswanathan</u>
Name: Subramaniam Viswanathan
Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: February 17, 2022



PRESS RELEASE

NYSE: CIM

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION REPORTS 4TH QUARTER 2021 EARNINGS

- 4TH QUARTER GAAP NET LOSS OF \$718 THOUSAND, OR \$0.00 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE
- 4TH QUARTER EARNINGS AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION (1) OF \$111 MILLION, OR \$0.46 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE WHICH INCLUDES \$0.08 OF INCOME FROM AGENCY CMBS SECURITIES THAT HAVE BEEN CALLED
- FULL YEAR GAAP NET INCOME OF \$596 MILLION, OR \$2.44 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE
- FULL YEAR EARNINGS AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION (1) OF \$429 MILLION, OR \$1.78 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE WHICH INCLUDES \$0.26 OF INCOME FROM AGENCY CMBS SECURITIES THAT HAVE BEEN CALLED
- GAAP BOOK VALUE OF \$11.84 PER COMMON SHARE

NEW YORK - (BUSINESS WIRE) - Chimera Investment Corporation (NYSE:CIM) today announced its financial results for the fourth quarter ended December 31, 2021. The Company's GAAP net loss for the fourth quarter was \$718 thousand, or \$0.00 per diluted common share and net income was \$596 million, or \$2.44 per diluted common share for the full year ended December 31, 2021. Earnings available for distribution (1) for the fourth quarter and full year ended December 31, 2021 was \$111 million, or \$0.46 per diluted common share and \$429 million, or \$1.78 per diluted common share, respectively.

"Low interest rates throughout most of 2021, combined with strong investor demand for high-quality fixed-income assets, allowed Chimera to optimize its liability structure which we believe will benefit our shareholders over the long-term," said Mohit Marria, CEO and Chief Investment Officer. "Securitization of mortgage assets is at the core of our company's DNA. Through securitizations this year, Chimera increased its advance rate by 14% while reducing its overall cost of debt by 120 basis points," Mr. Marria added, "This quarter we purchased an additional \$540 million loans for our portfolio which brought Chimera's total loan purchases for the full year to \$3.2 billion."

(1) Earnings available for distribution per adjusted diluted common share is a non-GAAP measure. See additional discussion on page 5.
(2) Economic return on book value is based on the change in GAAP book value per common share plus the dividend declared per common share

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)

		December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	385,741 \$	269,090
Non-Agency RMBS, at fair value (net of allowance for credit losses of \$213 thousand and \$180 thousand, respectively)		1,810,208	2,150,714
Agency RMBS, at fair value		60,487	90,738
Agency CMBS, at fair value		761,208	1,740,368
Loans held for investment, at fair value		12,261,926	13,112,129
Accrued interest receivable		69,513	81,158
Other assets		58,320	78,822
Total assets (1)	\$	15,407,403 \$	17,523,019
Liabilities:			
Secured financing agreements (\$4.4 billion and \$6.7 billion pledged as collateral, respectively)	\$	3,261,613 \$	4,636,847
Securitized debt, collateralized by Non-Agency RMBS (\$365 million and \$505 million pledged as collateral, respectively)		87,999	113,433
Securitized debt at fair value, collateralized by Loans held for investment (\$11.0 billion and \$12.4 billion pledged as collateral, respectively)		7,726,043	8,711,677
Long term debt		_	51,623
Payable for investments purchased		477,415	106,169
Accrued interest payable		20,416	40,950
Dividends payable		86,152	77,213
Accounts payable and other liabilities		11,574	5,721
Total liabilities (1)	\$	11,671,212 \$	13,743,633
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, 236,951,266 and 230,556,760 shares issued an outstanding, respectively	ıd	2,370	2,306
Additional paid-in-capital		4,359,045	4,538,029
Accumulated other comprehensive income		405,054	558,096
Cumulative earnings		4,552,008	3,881,894
Cumulative distributions to stockholders		(5,582,658)	(5,201,311)
Total stockholders' equity	\$	3,736,191 \$	3,779,386
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	15,407,403 \$	17,523,019

⁽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, 2021, and December 31, 2020, total assets of consolidated VIEs were \$10,666,591 and \$12,165,017, respectively, and total liabilities of consolidated VIEs were \$7,223,655 and \$8,063,110, respectively.

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

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

	(Unaudited)	For the Year Ended					
	_	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019			
Net interest income:	_	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019			
Interest income (1)	\$	937,546 \$	1,030,250 \$	1,361,110			
Interest expense (2)	ψ	326,628	516,181	758,814			
Net interest income		610,918	514,069	602,296			
Increase/(decrease) in provision for credit losses		33	180				
Net other-than-temporary credit impairment losses		_	_	(4,853)			
Other investment gains (losses):							
Net unrealized gains (losses) on derivatives		_	201,000	(106,209)			
Realized gains (losses) on terminations of interest rate swaps		_	(463,966)	(359,726)			
Net realized gains (losses) on derivatives		<u> </u>	(41,086)	(34,423)			
Net gains (losses) on derivatives			(304,052)	(500,358)			
Net unrealized gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value		437,357	(110,664)	409,634			
Net realized gains (losses) on sales of investments		45,313	166,946	20,360			
Gains (losses) on extinguishment of debt		(283,556)	(54,418)	9,318			
Total other gains (losses)		199,114	(302,188)	(61,046)			
Other expenses:							
Compensation and benefits		46,823	44,811	48,880			
General and administrative expenses		22,246	22,914	23,915			
Servicing and asset manager fees		36,555	39,896	38,930			
Transaction expenses		29,856	15,068	10,928			
Total other expenses		135,480	122,689	122,653			
Income (loss) before income taxes		674,519	89,012	413,744			
Income tax expense (benefit)		4,405	158	193			
Net income (loss)	\$	670,114 \$	88,854 \$	413,551			
Dividends on preferred stock		73,764	73,750	72,704			
Net income (loss) available to common shareholders	\$	596,350 \$	15,104 \$	340,847			
Net income (loss) per share available to common shareholders:							
Basic	\$	2.55 \$	0.07 \$	1.82			
Diluted	\$	2.44 \$	0.07 \$	1.81			
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:							
Basic		233,770,474	212,995,533	187,156,990			
Diluted		245,496,926	226,438,341	188,406,444			

⁽¹⁾ Includes interest income of consolidated VIEs of \$586,580, \$683,456 and \$780,746 for the years ended December 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

⁽²⁾ Includes interest expense of consolidated VIEs of \$203,135, \$285,142 and \$337,387 for the years ended December 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

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

	For the Year Ended					
		December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019		
Comprehensive income (loss):						
Net income (loss)	\$	670,114 \$	88,854 \$	413,551		
Other comprehensive income:						
Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities, net		(115,926)\$	(94,136)\$	70,855		
Reclassification adjustment for net losses included in net income for other-than-temporary credit impairment losses		— \$	— \$	4,853		
Reclassification adjustment for net realized losses (gains) included in net income		(37,116)\$	(56,104)\$	5,796		
Other comprehensive income (loss)		(153,042)\$	(150,240) \$	81,504		
Comprehensive income (loss) before preferred stock dividends	\$	517,072 \$	(61,386) \$	495,055		
Dividends on preferred stock	\$	73,764 \$	73,750 \$	72,704		
Comprehensive income (loss) available to common stock shareholders	\$	443,308 \$	(135,136) \$	422,351		

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, 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.

As defined, Earnings available for distribution is the economic net interest income, as defined previously, 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. We view Earnings available for distribution as a consistent 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. 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, because Earnings available for distribution excludes certain items that impact our cash needs. 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 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 the Quarters Ended						
	Decei	mber 31, 2021	September 30, 2021	June 30, 2021	March 31, 2021	December 31, 2020	
			(dollars in th	ousands, except per sha	re data)		
GAAP Net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$	(718) 5	\$ 313,030 \$	144,883 \$	139,153	\$ 128,797	
Adjustments:							
Net unrealized (gains) losses on financial instruments at fair value		108,286	(239,524)	(36,108)	(270,012)	(61,379)	
Net realized (gains) losses on sales of investments		_	_	(7,517)	(37,796)	329	
(Gains) losses on extinguishment of debt		(980)	25,622	21,777	237,137	(919)	
Interest expense on long term debt		_	238	959	1,076	1,197	
Increase (decrease) in provision for credit losses		92	(386)	453	(126)	13	
Transaction expenses		4,241	3,432	5,745	16,437	3,827	
Stock Compensation expense for retirement eligible awards		(363)	(365)	(361)	661	(225)	
Earnings available for distribution	\$	110,558	\$ 102,047 \$	129,831 \$	86,530	\$ 71,640	
GAAP net income (loss) per diluted common share	\$	(0.00)	§ 1.30 \$	0.60 \$	0.54	\$ 0.49	
Earnings available for distribution per adjusted diluted common share	\$	0.46	§ 0.42 \$	0.54 \$	0.36	\$ 0.29	

⁽¹⁾ We note that earnings available for distribution and taxable earnings will typically differ, and may materially differ, due to differences on realized gains and losses on investments and related hedges, credit loss recognition, timing differences in premium amortization, accretion of discounts, equity compensation and other items.

No at	tional Value Period-End (dollars in	Weighted Average Amortized Cost Basis	Weighted Average Fair Value	Weighted Avera Coupon	ge	Weighted Average Yield at Period-End (1)
\$	1,283,788 \$	48.02	76.78	4.5	%	18.0 %
	845,432	68.10	77.12	3.8	%	7.1 %
	3,904,665	4.90	4.42	1.7	%	13.2 %
	992,978	10.37	6.09	1.3	%	0.3 %
	560,565	101.77	109.61	4.3	%	4.1 %
	2,578,640	5.70	5.69	0.7	%	4.6 %
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(1) Bond Equivalent Yield at period end.

December 31, 2020

	Noti F	rincipal or lonal Value at leriod-End (dollars in housands)	Weighted Average Amortized Cost Basis	Weighted Average Fair Value	Weighted Avera Coupon	ge V	Weighted Average Yield at Period-End ⁽¹⁾
Non-Agency RMBS							
Senior	\$	1,560,135 \$	50.65	\$ 81.90	4.5	%	16.9
Subordinated		905,674	62.46	67.43	3.8	%	6.3
Interest-only		5,628,240	4.43	4.66	1.5	%	16.2
Agency RMBS							
Interest-only		1,262,963	9.41	7.18	1.7	%	1.6
Agency CMBS							
Project loans		1,527,621	101.81	112.23	4.1	%	3.8
Interest-only		1,326,665	1.78	1.95	0.6	%	8.4

⁽¹⁾ Bond Equivalent Yield at period end.

At December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, the secured financing agreements collateralized by MBS and Loans held for investment had the following remaining maturities and borrowing rates.

December 31, 2021

December 31, 2020

	December 51, 2021					December 31, 2020			
(dollars in thousands)									
P	rincipal ⁽¹⁾				Principal (1)	Weighted Average Borrowing Rates	Range of Borrowing Rates		
\$	_	NA	<u>_%%</u>	\$	_	NA	NA		
	1,018,670	0.73%	0.11% - 1.95%		1,521,134	0.38%	0.20% - 2.72%		
	379,031	1.66%	1.55% - 1.70%		481,257	4.35%	2.42% - 6.61%		
	342,790	1.86%	0.90% - 2.35%		352,684	2.78%	1.34% - 6.30%		
	67,840	1.66%	1.66% - 1.66%		301,994	7.97%	7.97% - 7.97%		
	157,944	1.38%	0.95% - 1.45%		595,900	5.29%	2.40% - 6.26%		
	895,210	3.70%	1.95% - 4.38%		345,204	3.60%	3.25% - 4.50%		
	143,239	3.05%	3.05% - 3.05%		_	NA	NA		
	_	NA	NA		642,696	4.91%	1.65% - 7.00%		
	256,889	5.56%	5.56% - 5.56%		395,978	5.56%	5.56% - 5.56%		
\$	3,261,613	2.30%	- -	\$	4,636,847	3.41%	- -		
	<u>P</u> \$	379,031 342,790 67,840 157,944 895,210 143,239 — 256,889	Principal (1) Weighted Average Borrowing Rates \$ NA 1,018,670 0.73% 379,031 1.66% 342,790 1.86% 67,840 1.66% 157,944 1.38% 895,210 3.70% 143,239 3.05% — NA 256,889 5.56%	Principal (1) Weighted Average Borrowing Rates Range of Borrowing Rates \$ — NA —% - —% 1,018,670 0.73% 0.11% - 1.95% 379,031 1.66% 1.55% - 1.70% 342,790 1.86% 0.90% - 2.35% 67,840 1.66% 1.66% - 1.66% 157,944 1.38% 0.95% - 1.45% 895,210 3.70% 1.95% - 4.38% 143,239 3.05% 3.05% - 3.05% — NA NA 256,889 5.56% 5.56% - 5.56%	Meighted Average Borrowing Rates S	$ \begin{array}{ c c c c c } \hline \textbf{Principal}^{(1)} & \textbf{Weighted Average} \\ \hline \textbf{Borrowing Rates} & \textbf{Range of Borrowing Rates} \\ \hline \textbf{S} & & NA & -\%\% & \$ & -\\ \hline 1,018,670 & 0.73\% & 0.11\% - 1.95\% & 1,521,134\\ \hline 379,031 & 1.66\% & 1.55\% - 1.70\% & 481,257\\ \hline 342,790 & 1.86\% & 0.90\% - 2.35\% & 352,684\\ \hline 67,840 & 1.66\% & 1.66\% - 1.66\% & 301,994\\ \hline 157,944 & 1.38\% & 0.95\% - 1.45\% & 595,900\\ \hline 895,210 & 3.70\% & 1.95\% - 4.38\% & 345,204\\ \hline 143,239 & 3.05\% & 3.05\% - 3.05\% & -\\ \hline & NA & NA & 642,696\\ \hline 256,889 & 5.56\% & 5.56\% - 5.56\% & 395,978 \\ \hline \end{array} $	Meighted Average Range of Borrowing Rates Principal (1) Weighted Average Borrowing Rates Principal (1) Weighted Average Borrowing Rates Principal (1) Weighted Average S		

⁽¹⁾ The values for secured financing agreements in the table above is net of \$3 million and \$8 million of deferred financing cost as of December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, respectively.

The following table summarizes certain characteristics of our portfolio at December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020.

	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
GAAP Leverage at period-end	3.0:1	3.6:1
GAAP Leverage at period-end (recourse)	0.9:1	1.2:1

	December 31, 202	21	December 31, 202	0	December 31, 202	1	December 31, 202	.0	
Portfolio Composition	Amo	Amortized Cost				Fair Value			
Non-Agency RMBS	10.1	%	10.2	%	12.1	%	12.6	%	
Senior	4.5	%	5.0	%	6.5	%	7.5	%	
Subordinated	4.2	%	3.6	%	4.4	%	3.6	%	
Interest-only	1.4	%	1.6	%	1.2	%	1.5	%	
Agency RMBS	0.8	%	0.7	%	0.4	%	0.5	%	
Pass-through	_	%	_	%	_	%	_	%	
Interest-only	0.8	%	0.7	%	0.4	%	0.5	%	
Agency CMBS	5.3	%	10.0	%	5.2	%	10.2	%	
Project loans	4.2	%	9.9	%	4.2	%	10.0	%	
Interest-only	1.1	%	0.1	%	1.0	%	0.2	%	
Loans held for investment	83.8	%	79.1	%	82.3	%	76.7	%	
Fixed-rate percentage of portfolio	95.4	%	94.9	%	94.4	%	93.2	%	
Adjustable-rate percentage of portfolio	4.6	%	5.1	%	5.6	%	6.8	%	

Economic Net Interest Income

Our Economic net interest income is a non-GAAP financial measure that equals GAAP net interest income adjusted for net realized gains or losses on interest rate swaps, interest expense on long term debt and any interest earned on cash. Realized gains or losses on our interest rate swaps are the periodic net settlement payments made or received. 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 realized 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. 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 interest rate swaps, is referred to as Economic interest expense. Where indicated, net interest income reflecting interest payments on interest rate swaps, is referred to as Economic interest expense.

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	Net Realized (Gains) Losses on Interest Rate Swaps	Interest Expense on Long Term Debt	Economic Interest Expense	GAAP Net Interest Income	Net Realized Gains (Losses) on Interest Rate Swaps	Other (1)	Economic Net Interest Income
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021	\$ 937,546	\$ 326,628	s —	\$ (2,274) \$	324,354	\$ 610,918	s — \$	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 Year Ended December 31, 2019	\$ 1,361,110	\$ 758,814	\$ (3,012)	\$ - \$	755,802	\$ 602,296	\$ 3,012 \$	(7,938) \$	597,370
For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2021	\$ 221,162	\$ 66,598	s —	s — \$	66,598	\$ 154,564	\$ - \$	(12)\$	154,552
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2021	\$ 220,579	\$ 71,353	s —	\$ (239) \$	71,114	\$ 149,226	s — \$	220 \$	149,446
For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2021	\$ 252,677	\$ 80,610	s —	\$ (959) \$	79,651	\$ 172,067	s — s	936 \$	173,003
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2021	\$ 243,127	\$ 108,066	s —	\$ (1,076)\$	106,990	\$ 135,061	s — \$	1,065 \$	136,126

⁽¹⁾ Primarily interest expense on Long term debt 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.

(doll: Average Balance 104,684 \$ 851,886 1,406,876 11,498,173	71 27,711 51,644 141,724	Average Yield/Cost 0.3 % 13.0 % 14.7 %	\$		ember 31, 2020 ars in thousands) Interest	
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, ,	141.724	14./ %		1,650,268	56,259	13.6 %
13 861 610 \$	-,,	4.9 %		12,770,508	163,998	5.1 %
13,001,019 \$	221,150	6.4 %	\$	15,998,071 \$	236,136	5.9 %
23,824 \$	40	0.7 %	\$	71,689 \$	173	1.0 %
731,577	346	0.2 %		1,323,972	738	0.2 %
839,898	5,837	2.8 %		1,069,348	13,797	5.2 %
1,872,915	13,281	2.8 %		2,200,314	26,627	4.8 %
8,009,117	47,094	2.4 %		8,630,854	77,753	3.6 %
11,477,331 \$	66,598	2.3 %	\$	13,296,177 \$	119,088	3.6 %
\$	154,552	4.1 %	_	\$	117,048	2.3 %
2,384,288		4.5 %	\$	2,701,894		2.9 %
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⁽¹⁾ Interest-earning assets at amortized cost

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.

	Return on Average Equity	Economic Net Interest Income/Avera Equity *	Earnings available for distribution/Average Common Equ		
		(Ratios have been annualize	d)		
For the Year Ended December 31, 2021	18.05 %	6 16.52	%	15.42	%
For the Year Ended December 31, 2020	2.46 %	6 14.21	%	12.43	%
For the Year Ended December 31, 2019	10.56 %	6 15.26	%	13.93	%
For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2021	1.87 %	6 16.30	%	15.45	%
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2021	35.47 %	6 15.99	%	14.54	%
For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2021	18.16 %	6 19.24	%	19.47	%
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2021	17.16 %	6 14.82	%	12.62	%

^{*} Includes effect of realized losses on interest rate swaps and 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)	Dece	mber 31, 2021	September 30, 2021	June 30, 2021	March 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Balance, beginning of period	\$	352,545 \$	338,024 \$	358,562 \$	409,690 \$	422,981
Accretion of discount		(22,172)	(21,820)	(37,986)	(24,023)	(21,281)
Purchases		_	1,995	(3,453)	_	758
Sales and deconsolidation		_	_	(17,123)	(41,651)	98
Transfers from/(to) credit reserve, net		3,173	34,346	38,024	14,546	7,134
Balance, end of period	\$	333,546 \$	352,545 \$	338,024 \$	358,562 \$	409,690

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FINANCIAL SUPPLEMENT

4th Quarter 2021

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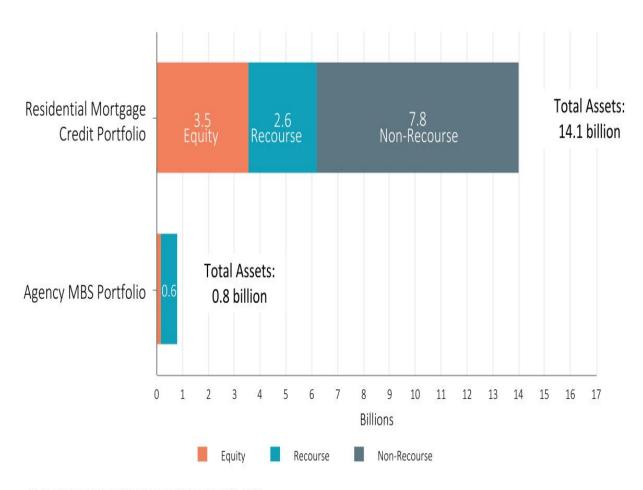
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PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION

95% of Chimera's equity capital is allocated to mortgage credit



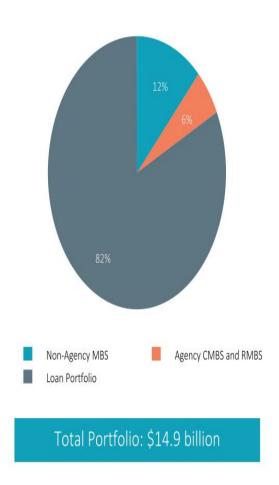
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GAAP ASSET ALLOCATION

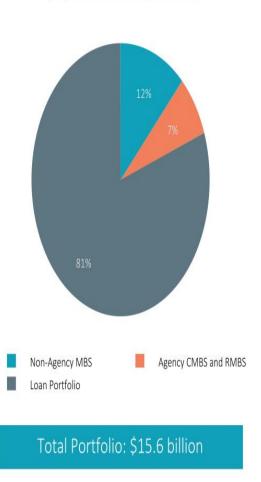
Chimera continues to focus on its Residential Credit portfolios





Based on fair value.

September 30, 2021





GAAP FINANCING SOURCES

Securitized debt provides optimal long-term non-recourse financing for Chimera's loan portfolio

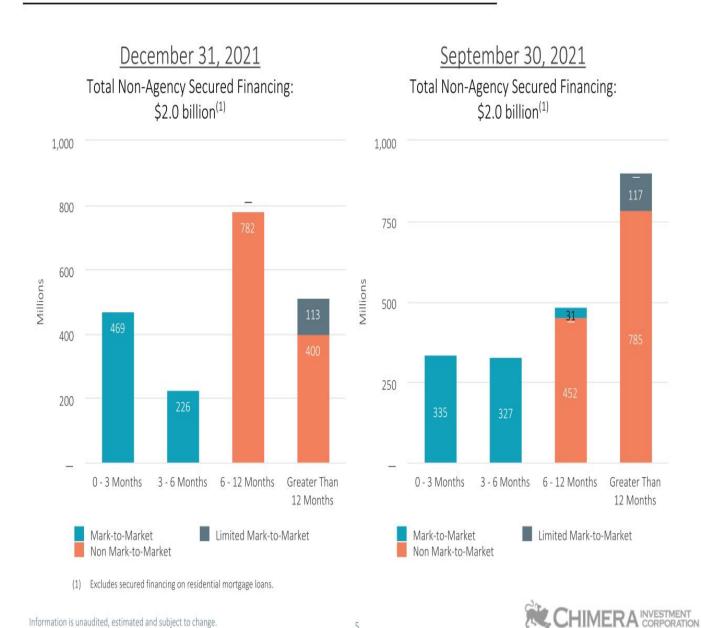


(1) Includes secured financing of retained tranches from loan securitizations that are eliminated in consolidation.



NON-AGENCY FINANCING

Chimera continues to focus on longer term and non-markto-market financing for its non-agency portfolio



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NET INVESTMENT ANALYSIS

Strong net interest spread resulting from a reduction in financing cost

	RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE CREDIT PORTFOLIO	AGENCY PORTFOLIO ⁽¹⁾	TOTAL PORTFOLIO
GROSS ASSET YIELD:	6.0%	11.6%	6.4%
FINANCING COSTS	2.5%	0.2%	2.3%
NET INTEREST SPREAD:	3.5%	11.4%	4.1%
NET INTEREST MARGIN:	3.9%	11.5%	4.5%

All data based on the quarter ended December 31, 2021



⁽¹⁾ Includes \$24 million of additional income received from prepayment penalties. Gross Asset Yield is approximately 3.9% excluding these items.

NET ASSET BREAKDOWN

Chimera invests in RMBS securities and securities created through the CIM Sponsored securitizations. Loans are financed through Financing Trusts.

Investments	Chimera Subsidiaries	Securitization Trusts ⁽¹⁾	Financing Trusts ⁽²⁾	Total ⁽²⁾
Non-Agency RMBS, at fair value	\$ 1,411,158	\$ 399,048	\$ - \$	1,810,206
Agency RMBS, at fair value	60,487	_	_	60,487
Agency CMBS, at fair value	761,208	_	_	761,208
Residential Mortgage Loans	_	11,025,871	782,541	11,808,412
Total Invested Assets	\$ 2,232,853	\$ 11,424,919	\$ 782,541 \$	14,440,313
Securitized Debt (Non-Recourse), collateralized by:				
Non-Agency RMBS	\$ -	\$ 87,999	\$ - \$	87,999
Residential Mortgage Loans	-	7,726,043	_	7,726,043
Total Securitized Debt (Non-recourse)	\$ _	\$ 7,814,042	\$ - \$	7,814,042
Invested Assets less Securitized Debt	\$ 2,232,853	\$ 3,610,877	\$ 782,541 \$	6,626,271
Secured Financing Agreements (Recourse):				
Non-Agency RMBS	\$ 722,128	\$ 102,801	\$ - \$	824,929
Agency RMBS	23,170	-	_	23,170
Agency CMBS	589,535	-	_	589,535
Residential Mortgage Loans	_	1,165,425	658,554	1,823,979
Total Secured Financing Agreements	\$ 1,334,833	\$ 1,268,226	\$ 658,554 \$	3,261,613
Net Assets	\$ 898,020	\$ 2,342,651	\$ 123,987 \$	3,364,658

All data as of December 31, 2021

^{\$} in thousands

⁽¹⁾ Includes \$820 million of loans accounted for as secured borrowings and \$608 million of securitized debt (non-recourse).

⁽²⁾ Excludes approximately \$454 million of Loans held for investment for December 31, 2021, which were purchased prior to that reporting date and settled subsequent to that reporting period.

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CONSOLIDATED LOAN SECURITIZATIONS

VINTAGE	DEAL	TOTAL ORIGINAL FACE	TOTAL OF TRANCHES SOLD	TOTAL OF TRANCHES RETAINED	TOTAL REMAINING FACE	REMAINING FACE OF TRANCHES SOLD	REMAINING FACE OF TRANCHES RETAINED	Call Date
2021	CIM 2021-NR4	\$167,596	\$125,747	\$41,849	\$163,195	\$122,167	\$41,028	November 2022
2021	CIM 2021-R6	353,797	336,284	17,513	327,847	310,333	17,513	September 2026
2021	CIM 2021-R5	450,396	382,836	67,560	429,694	362,334	67,360	August 2024
2021	CIM 2021-R4	545,684	463,831	81,853	483,028	400,834	81,853	June 2024
2021	CIM 2021-R3	859,735	730,775	128,960	726,037	596,061	128,960	April 2024
2021	CIM 2021-NR3	117,373	82,161	35,212	101,194	67,331	33,864	April 2022
2021	CIM 2021-R2	1,497,213	1,272,631	224,582	1,226,182	998,920	224,582	March 2025
2021	CIM 2021-NR2	240,425	180,318	60,107	209,200	148,276	60,924	March 2022
2021	CIM 2021-R1	2,098,584	1,783,797	314,787	1,708,482	1,388,441	314,787	February 2025
2021	CIM 2021-NR1	232,682	162,877	69,805	193,889	122,204	71,684	February 2022
2020	CIM 2020-NR1	131,860	79,115	52,745	115,469	62,770	52,470	November 2021
2020	CIM 2020-R7 ⁽¹⁾	653,192	562,023	91,169	528,398	437,230	91,168	November 2023
2020	CIM 2020-R6	418,390	334,151	84,239	340,976	256,798	84,142	October 2023
2020	CIM 2020-R5	338,416	257,027	81,389	233,565	152,015	81,389	Clean-up Call
2020	CIM 2020-R4	276,316	207,237	69,079	231,573	162,227	69,079	June 2022
2020	CIM 2020-R3	438,228	328,670	109,558	331,231	221,909	109,321	May 2022
2020	CIM 2020-R2	492,347	416,761	74,414	373,184	298,832	74,352	Clean-up Call
2020	CIM 2020-R1	390,761	317,608	73,153	313,345	240,183	72,753	February 2023
2019	CIM 2019-R5	315,039	252,224	62,663	214,064	151,354	61,981	Clean-up Call
2019	CIM 2019-R4	320,802	256,641	64,161	227,360	164,027	63,333	November 2022
2019	CIM 2019-R3 ⁽¹⁾	342,633	291,237	51,396	225,160	173,396	51,316	October 2022
2019	CIM 2019-R2	464,327	358,172	105,482	360,241	255,210	104,693	Clean-up Call
2019	CIM 2019-R1	371,762	297,409	74,353	279,092	205,310	73,782	August 2022
2018	CIM 2018-R6	478,251	334,775	143,476	284,863	143,846	141,017	October 2021
2018	CIM 2018-R5	380,194	266,136	114,058	208,329	97,560	110,769	July 2021
2018	CIM 2018-R3	181,073	146,669	34,404	90,760	57,728	32,794	April 2023
2017	CIM 2017-7	512,446	348,719	163,727	284,784	128,756	156,028	September 2022
2016	CIM 2016-FRE1	185,811	115,165	70,646	87,142	28,889	58,253	November 2021
2008	PHHMC 2008-CIM1	619,710	549,142	70,568	10,766	7,921	2,822	Clean-up Call
	TOTAL	\$13,875,047	\$11,240,138	\$2,632,911	\$10,309,050	\$7,762,864	\$2,534,018	

All data as of December 31, 2021 \$ in thousands

(1) Accounted for as a secured borrowing





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