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CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION REPORTS 1ST QUARTER 2025 EARNINGS

NEW YORK - (BUSINESS WIRE) - Chimera Investment Corporation (NYSE:CIM) today announced its financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2025.

Financial Highlights⁽¹⁾:

- 1ST QUARTER GAAP NET INCOME OF \$1.77 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE
- 1ST QUARTER EARNINGS AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION⁽²⁾ OF \$0.41 PER DILUTED COMMON SHARE
- GAAP BOOK VALUE OF \$21.17 PER COMMON SHARE AND ECONOMIC RETURN⁽³⁾ OF 9.20% AT MARCH 31, 2025

"This has been a strong quarter for Chimera. Earnings available for distribution improved by 11%, our book value increased by 7.4% and our economic return was 9.2%," said Phillip Kardis II, President and CEO. "We also made several impactful moves on our balance sheet. We successfully accomplished a cash-out refinancing of all the Company's outstanding non-Remic securitizations, which provided approximately \$187 million in funds for new investment. We also extended two large non-mark to market secured financing facilities until 2027."

⁽¹⁾ All per share amounts, common shares outstanding and restricted shares for all periods presented reflect the Company's 1-for-3 reverse stock split, which was effective after the close of trading on May 21, 2024

⁽²⁾ Earnings available for distribution per adjusted diluted common share is a non-GAAP measure. See additional discussion on page 5.

⁽³⁾ Our economic return is measured by the change in GAAP book value per common share plus common stock dividend.

Other Information

Chimera is a publicly traded real estate investment trust, or REIT, that is primarily engaged in the business of investing for itself and for unrelated third parties through its investment management and advisory services in a diversified portfolio of real estate assets, including residential mortgage loans, Non-Agency RMBS, Agency RMBS, business purpose and investor loans, including RTLs, and other real estate-related assets such as Agency CMBS.

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

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

March 31, 2025 December 31, 2024 Assets: \$ 253,349 \$ 83,998 Cash and cash equivalents Non-Agency RMBS, at fair value (net of allowance for credit losses of \$32 million and 1,059,840 1,064,169 \$28 million, respectively) Agency MBS, at fair value 656,335 519,218 Loans held for investment, at fair value 10,983,840 11,196,678 Accrued interest receivable 84,082 81,386 Other assets 167,880 170,924 Derivatives, at fair value 117 Total assets (1) \$ 13,205,326 \$ 13,116,490 Liabilities: Secured financing agreements (\$4.2 billion and \$4.1 billion pledged as collateral, \$ 2,994,191 \$ 2,824,371 respectively, and includes \$321 million and \$319 million at fair value, respectively Securitized debt, collateralized by Non-Agency RMBS (\$225 million and \$229 million 69,990 71,247 pledged as collateral, respectively) Securitized debt at fair value, collateralized by Loans held for investment (\$10.3 billion 7,198,089 6,984,495 and \$10.2 billion pledged as collateral, respectively) Long term debt 134,928 134,646 Payable for investments purchased 454,730 38,477 38.164 Accrued interest payable 41,472 Dividends payable 34,153 34,265 Accounts payable and other liabilities 53,030 45,075 Derivatives, at fair value, net 240 Total liabilities (1) \$ 10,561,262 \$ 10,590,301 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, \$ 58 \$ 58 respectively (\$145,000 liquidation preference) 8.00% Series B cumulative redeemable: 13,000,000 shares issued and outstanding, 130 130 respectively (\$325,000 liquidation preference) 7.75% Series C cumulative redeemable: 10,400,000 shares issued and outstanding, 104 104 respectively (\$260,000 liquidation preference) 8.00% Series D cumulative redeemable: 8.000,000 shares issued and outstanding. 80 80 respectively (\$200,000 liquidation preference) Common stock: par value \$0.01 per share; 166,666,667 shares authorized, 80,970,256 810 809 and 80,922,221 shares issued and outstanding, respectively Additional paid-in-capital 4,394,600 4.390.516 Accumulated other comprehensive income 157,770 159,449 Cumulative earnings 4,508,408 4,341,111 Cumulative distributions to stockholders (6,417,896)(6.366.068)Total stockholders' equity \$ 2,644,064 \$ 2,526,189 Total liabilities and stockholders' equity \$ 13,205,326 13,116,490

⁽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 March 31, 2025, and December 31, 2024, total assets of consolidated VIEs were \$10,130,294 and \$9,970,094, respectively, and total liabilities of consolidated VIEs were \$6,990,372 and \$6,766,505, respectively.

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

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

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	M	For the Quarte arch 31, 2025	March 31, 2024				
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Net interest income:		100 (16 0	106.551				
Interest income (1)	\$	190,616 \$	186,574				
Interest expense (2)		121,397	121,468				
Net interest income		69,219	65,106				
Increase (decrease) in provision for credit losses		3,387	1,347				
Other income (losses):							
Net unrealized gains (losses) on derivatives		(6,469)	5,189				
Realized gains (losses) on derivatives		82	_				
Periodic interest on derivatives, net		4,135	5,476				
Net gains (losses) on derivatives		(2,252)	10,665				
Investment management and advisory fees		8,936					
Net unrealized gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value		128,895	76,765				
Net realized gains (losses) on sales of investments		_	(3,750)				
Gains (losses) on extinguishment of debt		2,122	_				
Other investment gains (losses)		(417)	4,686				
Total other income (losses)		137,284	88,366				
Other expenses:							
Compensation and benefits		13,085	9,213				
General and administrative expenses		6,907	5,720				
Servicing and asset manager fees		7,431	7,663				
Amortization of intangibles and depreciation expenses		951	_				
Transaction expenses		5,688	67				
Total other expenses		34,062	22,663				
Income before income taxes		169,052	129,462				
Income tax expense		1,755	8				
Net income	\$	167,297 \$	129,454				
Dividends on preferred stock		21,357	18,438				
Net income available to common shareholders	\$	145,940 \$	111,016				
Net income per share available to common shareholders:							
Basic	\$	1.79 \$	1.37				
Diluted	\$	1.77 \$	1.36				
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:							
Basic		81,350,497	81,239,381				
Diluted		82,394,218	81,718,214				

⁽¹⁾ Includes interest income of consolidated VIEs of \$144,402 and \$146,917 for the quarters ended March 31, 2025, and 2024, respectively.

⁽²⁾ Includes interest expense of consolidated VIEs of \$69,651 and \$73,123 for the quarters ended March 31, 2025, and 2024, respectively.

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

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

		For the Quarters Ended						
	N.	Tarch 31, 2025	March 31, 2024					
Comprehensive income (loss):								
Net income	\$	167,297 \$	129,454					
Other comprehensive income:								
Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities, net		(1,679)	(221)					
Reclassification adjustment for net realized losses (gains) included in net income		_						
Other comprehensive loss		(1,679)	(221)					
Comprehensive income before preferred stock dividends	\$	165,618 \$	129,233					
Dividends on preferred stock	\$	21,357 \$	18,438					
Comprehensive income available to common stock shareholders	\$	144,261 \$	110,795					

Earnings available for distribution

Earnings available for distribution is a non-GAAP measure and is defined as GAAP net income excluding (i) unrealized gains or losses on financial instruments carried at fair value with changes in fair value recorded in earnings, (ii) realized gains or losses on the sales of investments, (iii) gains or losses on the extinguishment of debt, (iv) changes in the provision for credit losses, (v) unrealized gains or losses on derivatives, (vi) realized gains or losses on derivatives, (vii) transaction expenses, (viii) stock compensation expenses for retirement eligible awards, (ix) amortization of intangibles and depreciation expenses, (x) non-cash imputed compensation expense related to business acquisitions, and (xi) other gains and losses on equity investments.

Non-cash imputed compensation expense reflects the portion of the consideration paid in the Palisades Acquisition that pursuant to the seller's contractual arrangements is distributable to the seller's legacy employees (who are now our employees) and that for GAAP purposes is recorded as non-cash imputed compensation expense with an offsetting entry recorded as non-cash contribution from a related party to our shareholder's equity. The excluded amounts do not include any normal, recurring compensation paid to our employees.

Transaction expenses are primarily comprised of costs only incurred at the time of execution of our securitizations, certain structured secured financing agreements, and business combination transactions and include costs such as underwriting fees, legal fees, diligence fees, accounting fees, bank fees and other similar transaction-related expenses. These costs are all incurred prior to or at the execution of the transaction and do not recur. Recurring expenses, such as servicing fees, custodial fees, trustee fees and other similar ongoing fees are not excluded from earnings available for distribution. We believe that excluding these costs is useful to investors as it is generally consistent with our peer group's treatment of these costs in their non-GAAP measures presentation, mitigates period to period comparability issues tied to the timing of securitization and structured finance transactions, and is consistent with the accounting for the deferral of debt issue costs prior to the fair value election option made by us. In addition, we believe it is important for investors to review this metric which is consistent with how management internally evaluates the performance of the Company. Stock compensation expense charges incurred on awards to retirement eligible employees is reflected as an expense over a vesting period (generally 36 months) rather than reported as an immediate expense.

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. To maintain our qualification as a REIT, U.S. federal income tax law generally requires that we distribute at least 90% of our REIT taxable income (subject to certain adjustments) annually. Earnings available for distribution, however, 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 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 helps us and investors evaluate our financial performance period over period without the impact of certain non-recurring transactions. Therefore, Earnings available for distribution should not be viewed in isolation and is not a substitute for or superior to 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.

For the Quarters Ended

	Marc	ch 31, 2025	Dec	ember 31, 2024	September 30, 2024	June 30, 2024	Marc	ch 31, 2024	
	(dollars in thousands, except per share data)								
GAAP Net income (loss) available to common stockholders	\$	145,940	\$	(168,275) \$	113,672	\$ 33,913	\$	111,016	
Adjustments (1):									
Net unrealized (gains) losses on financial instruments at fair value		(128,895)		181,197	(104,012)	(11,231)		(76,765)	
Net realized (gains) losses on sales of investments		_		1,468	_	_		3,750	
(Gains) losses on extinguishment of debt		(2,122)		_	_	_		_	
Increase (decrease) in provision for credit losses		3,387		4,448	358	3,684		1,347	
Net unrealized (gains) losses on derivatives		6,469		(276)	14,457	(11,955)		(5,189)	
Realized (gains) losses on derivatives		(82)		(641)	4,864	17,317		_	
Transaction expenses		5,688		4,707	2,317	_		67	
Stock Compensation expense for retirement eligible awards		1,432		(307)	(424)	(419)		1,024	
Amortization of intangibles and depreciation expenses (2)		951		321	_	_		_	
Non-cash imputed compensation related to business acquisition		341		10,296	_	_		_	
Other investment (gains) losses		417		(2,490)	(1,366)	(1,001)		(4,686)	
Earnings available for distribution	\$	33,526	\$	30,448 \$	29,866	\$ 30,308	\$	30,564	
GAAP net income (loss) per diluted common share	\$	1.77	\$	(2.07) \$	5 1.39	\$ 0.41	\$	1.36	
Earnings available for distribution per adjusted diluted common share	\$	0.41	\$	0.37 \$	0.36	\$ 0.37	\$	0.37	

⁽¹⁾ As a result of the Palisades Acquisition, we updated the determination of earnings available for distribution to exclude non-recurring acquisition-related transaction expenses, non-cash amortization of intangibles and depreciation expenses, and non-cash imputed compensation expenses. These expenses are excluded as they relate to the Palisades Acquisition and are not directly related to generation of our portfolio's investment income.

The following tables provide a summary of the Company's MBS portfolio at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024.

March 31, 2025

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	No at	rincipal or tional Value Period-End (dollars in housands)	A	Weighted Average Amortized Cost Basis	Weighted Average Fair Value	Weighted Average Coupon	Weighted Average Yield at Period- End ⁽¹⁾
Non-Agency RMBS							
Senior	\$	994,386	\$	44.77	60.45	5.7 %	18.1 %
Subordinated		643,316		59.47	58.69	4.5 %	8.1 %
Interest-only		2,589,059		5.85	3.13	0.7 %	4.3 %
Agency RMBS							
Pass-through		149,420		100.54	100.05	5.5 %	5.4 %
CMO		451,023		99.96	99.65	5.5 %	5.6 %
Interest-only		379,113		5.08	4.18	0.9 %	7.6 %
Agency CMBS							
Project loans		40,875		101.52	85.63	3.5 %	3.4 %
Interest-only		294,363		2.00	2.22	0.6 %	9.4 %
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⁽¹⁾ Bond Equivalent Yield at period end.

⁽²⁾ Non-cash amortization of intangibles and depreciation expenses related to Palisades Acquisition

December 31, 2024

	Not at l	Principal or Notional Value at Period-End (dollars in thousands) Weighte Averag Amortize Cost Bas		Average Fair		Weighted Average Coupon	Weighted Average Yield at Period- End ⁽¹⁾	
Non-Agency RMBS								
Senior	\$	1,010,128	\$ 45.11	\$	60.83	5.7 %	17.6 %	
Subordinated		648,977	59.18		57.99	4.5 %	8.0 %	
Interest-only		2,644,741	5.81		2.77	0.7 %	6.6 %	
Agency RMBS								
CMO		464,640	99.97		99.36	5.8 %	5.8 %	
Interest-only		380,311	5.15		4.41	0.7 %	6.9 %	
Agency CMBS								
Project loans		40,882	101.51		84.07	3.5 %	3.4 %	
Interest-only		449,437	1.36		1.43	0.5 %	8.9 %	

⁽¹⁾ Bond Equivalent Yield at period end.

At March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the secured financing agreements collateralized by MBS and Loans held for investment had the following remaining maturities and borrowing rates.

March 31, 2025

December 31, 2024

(dollars in thousands)

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	Principal (1)	Weighted Average Borrowing Rates	Range of Borrowing Rates	Principal	Weighted Average Borrowing Rates	Range of Borrowing Rates					
Overnight	\$ —	N/A	NA	\$ —	N/A	NA					
1 to 29 days	704,233	5.21%	4.46% - 7.20%	642,358	5.61%	4.66% - 7.52%					
30 to 59 days	469,914	6.23%	5.04% - 6.80%	959,559	7.79%	5.34% - 12.50%					
60 to 89 days	219,973	5.29%	4.72% - 5.65%	318,750	5.58%	4.87% - 7.02%					
90 to 119 days	70,769	5.25%	5.25% - 5.25%	51,416	6.38%	5.51% - 6.77%					
120 to 180 days	156,424	5.75%	5.24% - 6.54%	123,072	6.15%	5.82% - 6.77%					
180 days to 1 year	469,938	6.70%	5.61% - 7.47%	409,760	6.79%	5.80% - 7.49%					
1 to 2 years	582,209	8.31%	8.15% - 8.57%	_	N/A	N/A					
2 to 3 years	332,346	5.01%	5.01% - 6.09%	337,245	5.02%	5.02% - 5.02%					
Total	\$ 3,005,806	6.22%	•	\$ 2,842,160	6.48%						

⁽¹⁾ The values for secured financing agreements in the table above is net of \$1 million of deferred financing costs as of March 31, 2025.

The following table summarizes certain characteristics of our portfolio at March 31, 2025 and December 31, 2024.

	March 31, 2025	December 31, 2024
GAAP Leverage at period-end	3.9:1	4.0:1
GAAP Leverage at period-end (recourse)	1.2:1	1.2:1

	March 31, 2025	December 31, 2024	March 31, 2025	December 31, 2024	
Portfolio Composition	Amorti	zed Cost	Fair Value		
Non-Agency RMBS	7.9 %	7.9 %	8.3 %	8.3 %	
Senior	3.7 %	3.7 %	4.7 %	4.8 %	
Subordinated	3.0 %	3.0 %	3.0 %	2.9 %	
Interest-only	1.2 %	1.2 %	0.6 %	0.6 %	
Agency RMBS	4.9 %	3.7 %	4.8 %	3.7 %	
Pass-through	1.2 %	— %	1.2 %	— %	
СМО	3.5 %	3.6 %	3.5 %	3.6 %	
Interest-only	0.2 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	
Agency CMBS	0.4 %	0.4 %	0.4 %	0.4 %	
Project loans	0.3 %	0.3 %	0.3 %	0.3 %	
Interest-only	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	0.1 %	
Loans held for investment	86.8 %	88.0 %	86.5 %	87.6 %	
Fixed-rate percentage of portfolio	82.5 %	87.9 %	81.9 %	87.3 %	
Adjustable-rate percentage of portfolio	17.5 %	12.1 %	18.1 %	12.7 %	

Economic Net Interest Income

Our Economic net interest income is a non-GAAP financial measure that equals GAAP net interest income adjusted for net periodic interest cost of derivatives 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 derivatives, which is presented as a part of Net gains (losses) on derivatives in our Consolidated Statements of Operations. Interest rate swaps and swap futures 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 derivatives 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 any interest earned on cash, is referred to as Economic interest expense. Where indicated, net interest income reflecting net periodic interest cost of 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	I	Periodic nterest on erivatives, net	conomic Interest Expense	I	AAP Net nterest ncome	In	Periodic terest on rivatives, net	(Other (1)	Economic Net Interest Income
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2025	\$ 190,616	\$ 121,397	\$	(4,135)	\$ 117,262	\$	69,219	\$	4,135	\$	(1,050) \$	72,304
For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2024	\$ 192,364	\$ 126,540	\$	(4,542)	\$ 121,997	\$	65,824	\$	4,542	\$	(1,169) \$	69,197
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2024	\$ 195,295	\$ 128,844	\$	(6,789)	\$ 122,054	\$	66,451	\$	6,789	\$	(1,729) \$	71,511
For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2024	\$ 186,717	\$ 119,422	\$	(6,971)	\$ 112,451	\$	67,295	\$	6,971	\$	(1,872) \$	72,394
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2024	\$ 186,574	\$ 121,468	\$	(5,476)	\$ 115,992	\$	65,106	\$	5,476	\$	(2,581) \$	68,001

⁽¹⁾ Primarily 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	Quarters	Ended				
		rch 31, 2025			ember 31, 2		March 31, 2024 (dollars in thousands)			
	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/ Cost	Average Balance		Average Yield/Cost	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/ Cost	
Assets:										
Interest-earning assets (1): Agency RMBS (3)	e (27.479	¢ 7150	<i>E</i> (0/	e (02.011	e 10.505	(10/	f 10.262	Ф 325	67.0/	
Agency CMBS	\$ 627,478		5.6 %			6.1 %	* - ,		6.7 %	
Non-Agency RMBS	41,607 987,344	548 28,269	5.3 % 11.5 %	41,906 1,000,496	507 29,508	4.8 % 11.8 %	60,345	715	4.7 %	
Loans held for investment	11,091,882	,		, ,	29,508 150,674		961,903	28,935	12.0 %	
Total		153,591	5.5 %	11,107,918		5.4 %	11,643,716	154,018	5.3 %	
Total	\$ 12,748,311	\$ 189,300	5.9 %	\$12,833,131	\$ 191,194	6.0 %	\$12,685,327	\$ 183,993	5.8 %	
Liabilities and stockholders' equity:										
Interest-bearing liabilities (2):										
Secured financing agreements collateralized by: Agency RMBS (3)	Ø 407.200	4.720	4.6.07	0 (25 (45	ф. 7 420	5.0.0/			0.4	
Agency CMBS	\$ 487,288		4.6 %			5.0 %	*	•	— %	
Non-Agency RMBS	29,972 647,628	338 9,569	4.5 % 5.9 %	29,194	366	5.0 %	44,632	661	5.9 %	
Loans held for investment	1,828,760	27,450	6.0 %	657,762 1,745,522	10,537 27,973	6.4 % 6.4 %	681,101 1,696,221	11,736 28,106	6.9 % 6.6 %	
Securitized debt	7,636,038	71,701	3.8 %	7,670,967	72,209	3.8 %	8,207,251	75,489	3.7 %	
Long term debt (3)	139,750	3,474	9.9 %	139,750	3,474	9.9 %	8,207,231	73,469	3.7 % — %	
Total	\$ 10,769,436		4.4 %	\$10,880,840			\$10,629,205	\$ 115 992	4.4 %	
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Economic net interest income/net interest rate spread		\$ 72,304	1.5 %		\$ 69,197	1.5 %		\$ 68,001	1.4 %	
Net interest-earning assets/net interest margin	\$ 1,978,875		2.3 %	\$ 1,952,291		2.2 %	\$ 2,056,122		2.1 %	
Ratio of interest-earning assets to interest bearing liabilities	1.18			1.18			1.19			

⁽¹⁾ Interest-earning assets at amortized cost.

⁽²⁾ Interest includes periodic interest on derivatives, net

⁽³⁾ These amounts have been adjusted to reflect the daily outstanding averages for which the financial instruments were held during the period.

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/Average Equity	Earnings available for distribution/Average Common Equity						
	(Ratios have been annualized)								
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2025	25.89 %	11.19 %	8.10 %						
For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2024	(22.27)%	10.52 %	7.16 %						
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2024	20.30 %	10.64 %	6.79 %						
For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2024	8.57 %	11.06 %	7.08 %						
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2024	19.90 %	10.45 %	7.31 %						

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

For the Quarters Ended (dollars in thousands)

Accretable Discount (Net of Premiums)	Ma	rch 31, 2025	December 31, 2024	September 30, 2024	June 30, 2024	March 31, 2024
Balance, beginning of period	\$	117,203 \$	123,953 \$	125,881 \$	130,624	\$ 139,737
Accretion of discount		(7,705)	(8,855)	(10,949)	(11,142)	(8,179)
Purchases		_	_	2,834	919	1,848
Sales and consolidation		_	_	_	_	_
Eliminated in consolidation		_	_	_	_	_
Transfers from/(to) credit reserve, net		1,363	2,105	6,187	5,480	(2,782)
Balance, end of period	\$	110,861 \$	117,203 \$	123,953 \$	125,881	\$ 130,624

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