

CION Investment Corporation

First Quarter 2025 Earnings Presentation



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First Quarter and Other Highlights – Ended March 31, 2025

- Net investment income and earnings per share for the quarter ended March 31, 2025 were \$0.36 per share and \$(0.80) per share, respectively;
- Net asset value per share was \$14.28 as of March 31, 2025 compared to \$15.43 as of December 31, 2024, a decrease of \$1.15 per share, or 7.5%. The decrease was primarily due to mark-to-market price declines to the Company's portfolio during the quarter ended March 31, 2025;
- As of March 31, 2025, the Company had \$1.12 billion of total principal amount of debt outstanding, of which 38% was comprised of senior secured bank debt and 62% was comprised of unsecured debt. The Company's net debt-to-equity ratio was 1.39x as of March 31, 2025 compared to 1.27x as of December 31, 2024;
- As of March 31, 2025, the Company had total investments at fair value of \$1.79 billion in 104 portfolio companies across 24 industries. The investment portfolio was comprised of 87.0% senior secured loans, including 86.9% in first lien investments;¹
- During the quarter, the Company funded new investment commitments of \$55 million, funded previously unfunded commitments of \$10 million, and had sales and repayments totaling \$49 million, resulting in a net increase to the Company's funded portfolio of \$16 million;
- As of March 31, 2025, investments on non-accrual status amounted to 1.20% and 3.16% of the total investment portfolio at fair value and amortized cost, respectively, which are down from 1.41% and 3.22%, respectively, as of December 31, 2024;
- During the quarter, the Company repurchased 185,862 shares of its common stock under its 10b5-1 trading plan at an average price of \$11.68 per share for a total repurchase amount of \$2.2 million. Through March 31, 2025, the Company repurchased a total of 3,955,033 shares of its common stock under its 10b5-1 trading plan at an average price of \$10.23 per share for a total repurchase amount of \$40.5 million; and
- On February 13, 2025, the Company terminated its existing senior secured repurchase facility with UBS AG ("UBS") and simultaneously entered into a new 3-year, \$125 million senior secured credit facility with UBS, under which the floating interest rate payable by the Company on all advances was reduced by 0.45% per year, from the three-month SOFR plus a credit spread of 3.20% per year to SOFR plus a credit spread of 2.75% per year.

DISTRIBUTIONS

- For the quarter ended March 31, 2025, the Company declared a quarterly base distribution totaling \$19.1 million, or \$0.36 per share, paid on April 11, 2025 to shareholders of record as of March 28, 2025; and
- On May 5, 2025, the Company's co-chief executive officers declared a second quarter 2025 base distribution of \$0.36 per share, payable on June 16, 2025 to shareholders of record as of June 2, 2025.



1. The discussion of the investment portfolio excludes short term investments.

Selected Financial Highlights

(\$ in millions)	Q1 2025	Q4 2024	Q3 2024	Q2 2024	Q1 2024
Investment portfolio, at fair value ⁽¹⁾	\$1,792	\$1,820	\$1,753	\$1,823	\$1,741
Total debt outstanding ⁽²⁾	\$1,117	\$1,117	\$1,070	\$1,070	\$1,070
Net assets	\$757	\$821	\$839	\$861	\$863
Debt-to-equity	1.48x	1.36x	1.28x	1.24x	1.24x
Net debt-to-equity	1.39x	1.27x	1.18x	1.13x	1.03x
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Total investment income	\$56.1	\$57.9	\$59.6	\$61.4	\$73.6
Net investment income	\$19.3	\$18.7	\$21.6	\$23.0	\$32.6
Net realized and unrealized losses	\$(62.0)	\$(13.2)	\$(22.0)	\$(0.6)	\$(26.1)
Net (decrease) increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$(42.7)	\$5.5	\$(0.4)	\$22.4	\$6.4
Per Share Data					
Net asset value per share	\$14.28	\$15.43	\$15.73	\$16.08	\$16.05
Net investment income per share	\$0.36	\$0.35	\$0.40	\$0.43	\$0.60
Net realized and unrealized losses per share	\$(1.16)	\$(0.25)	\$(0.41)	\$(0.01)	\$(0.48)
Earnings per share	\$(0.80)	\$0.10	\$(0.01)	\$0.42	\$0.12
Distributions declared per share ⁽³⁾	\$0.36	\$0.41	\$0.36	\$0.41	\$0.34

^{1.} The discussion of the investment portfolio excludes short term investments.

^{3.} Includes a supplemental distribution of \$0.05 per share during the quarter ended June 30, 2024 and a special distribution of \$0.05 per share during the quarter ended December 31, 2024.



^{2.} Total debt outstanding excludes netting of debt issuance costs. Please refer to page 10 for debt net of issuance costs.

Investment Activity

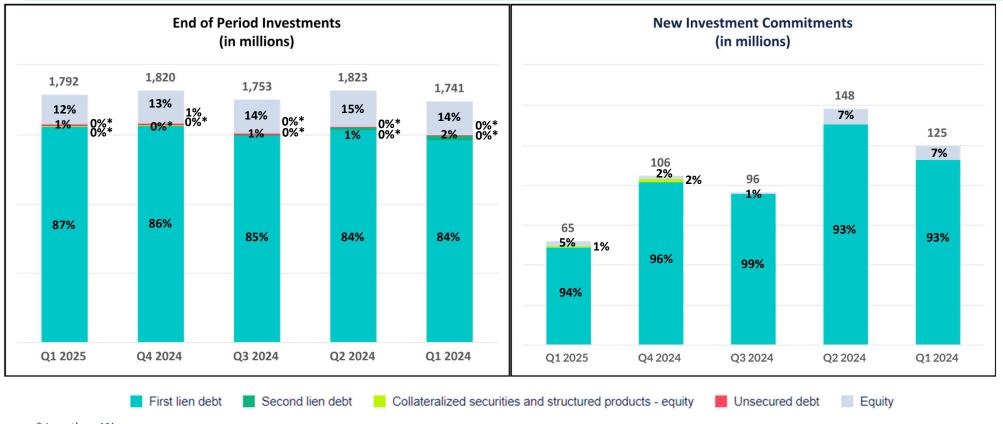
- New investment commitments for the quarter were \$65 million, of which \$55 million were funded and \$10 million were unfunded.
- New investment commitments were made across 1 new and 12 existing portfolio companies.
- Fundings of previously unfunded commitments for the quarter were \$10 million.
- Sales and repayments totaled \$49 million for the quarter, which included the full exit of investments in 2 portfolio companies.

(\$ in millions)	Q1 2025	Q4 2024	Q3 2024	Q2 2024	Q1 2024
New investment commitments	\$65	\$106	\$97	\$148	\$125
Funded	\$55	\$100	\$78	\$137	\$107
Unfunded	\$10	\$6	\$19	\$11	\$18
Fundings of previously unfunded commitments	\$10	\$12	\$15	\$10	\$4
Repayments	\$(36)	\$(47)	\$(129)	\$(77)	\$(190)
Sales	\$(13)	\$(1)	\$(25)	\$0	\$(17)
Net funded investment activity	\$16	\$64	\$(61)	\$70	\$(96)
Total Portfolio Companies	104	105	103	107	109

Note - The discussion of the investment portfolio excludes short term investments. Unfunded commitments are generally subject to borrowers meeting certain criteria such as compliance with covenants and certain operational metrics. These amounts may remain outstanding until the commitment period of an applicable loan expires, which may be shorter than the loan's maturity date.



Portfolio Asset Composition



^{*} Less than 1%.

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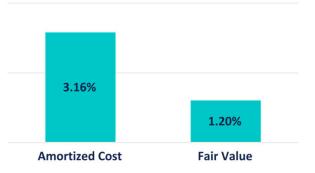
Credit Quality of Investments

INTERNAL INVESTMENT RISK RATINGS(1)

(% of Total Portfolio, Fair Value)

Higher Credit Q1 2025 Q4 2024 Rating Quality 1 2.3% 2.0% 2 86.1% 85.8% 3 10.3% 10.6% 0.9% 1.3% 5 0.4% 0.3% Lower Credit Quality **Total** 100.0% 100.0% * - Less than 1%.

Q1 2025 NON-ACCRUAL %⁽¹⁾



Internal Investment Risk Rating Definitions

Rating Definition

- 1 Indicates the least amount of risk to our initial cost basis.
 - The trends and risk factors for this investment since origination or acquisition are generally favorable, which may include the performance of the portfolio company or a potential exit.

Q3 2024

0.6%

85.7%

11.8%

1.5%

0.4%

100.0%

Q2 2024

1.3%

88.3%

9.0%

1.1%

0.3%

100.0%

Q1 2024

0.0*

88.5%

10.4%

0.7%

0.4%

100.0%

- 2 Indicates a level of risk to our initial cost basis that is similar to the risk to our initial cost basis at the time of origination or acquisition.
 - This portfolio company is generally performing in accordance with our analysis of its business and the full return of principal and interest or dividend is expected.
- Indicates that the risk to our ability to recoup the cost of such investment has increased since origination or acquisition, but full return of principal and interest or dividend is expected.

 A portfolio company with an investment rating of 3 requires closer monitoring.
- 4 Indicates that the risk to our ability to recoup the cost of such investment has increased significantly since origination or acquisition, including as a result of factors such as declining performance and noncompliance with debt
 - We expect some loss of interest, dividend or capital appreciation, but still expect an overall positive internal rate of return on the investment.
- Indicates that the risk to our ability to recoup the cost of such investment has increased materially since origination or acquisition and the portfolio company likely has materially declining performance.

 Loss of interest or dividend and some loss of principal investment is expected, which would result in an overall negative internal rate of return on the investment.
- 1. The discussion of the investment portfolio excludes short term investments.



Portfolio Summary

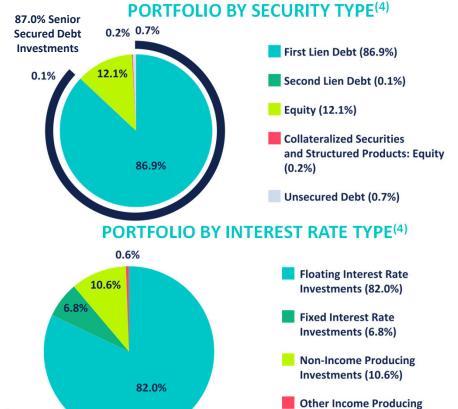
Portfolio Characteristics (as of March 31, 2025) ⁽⁴⁾							
Investment Portfolio							
Total investments and unfunded commitments	\$1,856.8 million						
Unfunded commitments	\$65.1 million						
Investments at fair value	\$1,791.7 million						
Yield on debt and other income producing investments at amortized cost ⁽¹⁾	12.13 %						
Yield on performing loans at amortized cost ⁽¹⁾	12.62 %						
Yield on total investments at amortized cost	10.84 %						

Portfolio Companies

Number of portfolio companies	104
Weighted average leverage (net debt/EBITDA) ⁽²⁾	5.28x
Weighted average interest coverage ⁽²⁾	1.99x
Median EBITDA ⁽³⁾	\$34.2 million

Industry Diversifica	ation ⁽⁴⁾
Industry	% of Investment Portfolio
Services: Business	15.3 %
Healthcare & Pharmaceuticals	11.7 %
Retail	7.7 %
Media: Diversified & Production	7.1 %
Energy: Oil & Gas	6.5 %
Other (≤ 6.5% each)	51.7 %
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(1) See endnote 4 in our press release filed with the SEC on May 8, 2025. (2) See endnote 5 in our press release filed with the SEC on May 8, 2025. (3) See endnote 6 in our press release filed with the SEC on May 8, 2025. (4) The discussion of the investment portfolio excludes short term investments.





Investments (0.6%)

Quarterly Operating Results

All figures in thousands, except share and per share data	Q1 2025			Q4 2024	Q3 2024	Q2 2024		Q1 2024	
Investment income	i	i							
Interest income ⁽¹⁾	į\$	51,394 !	\$	51,364	\$ 53,390	\$	53,863	\$	69,654
Dividend income	:	697 :		653	434		5,152		27
Fee income	;	3,983		5,877	5,803		2,342		3,873
Total investment income	į\$	56,074	\$	57,894	\$ 59,627	\$	61,357	\$	73,554
Expenses	!	!							
Management fees	\$	6,625	\$	6,762	\$ 6,854	\$	6,841	\$	6,864
Interest and other debt expenses	į	22,998 j		25,244	23,551		23,773		24,302
Incentive fees	į	4,084 !		3,963	4,586		4,871		6,914
Other operating expenses	:	3,115		3,120	3,039		2,905		2,876
Total expenses before taxes	; \$	36,822	\$	39,089	\$ 38,030	\$	38,390	\$	40,956
Income tax expense (benefit), including excise tax	į	<u> </u>		119	(21)		4		5
Net investment income after taxes	! \$	19,252	\$	18,686	\$ 21,618	\$	22,963	\$	32,593
	i	:							
Net realized gain (loss) and unrealized (depreciation) appreciation on investments	i	<u> </u>							
Net realized gain (loss)	!\$	2,294 !	\$	(2,238)	\$ 3,938	\$	(20,277)	\$	(9,736)
Net change in unrealized (depreciation) appreciation		(64,251)		(10,990)	(25,935)		19,692		(16,412)
Net realized and unrealized losses	i\$	(61,957)	\$	(13,228)	\$ (21,997)	\$	(585)	\$	(26,148)
Net (decrease) increase in net assets resulting from operations	!\$	(42,705)	\$	5,458	\$ (379)	\$	22,378	\$	6,445
Per share data	<u>i</u>	i							
Net investment income	į\$	0.36	\$	0.35	\$ 0.40	\$	0.43	\$	0.60
Net realized loss and unrealized depreciation on investments	<u></u> ;\$	(1.16)	\$	(0.25)	\$ (0.41)	\$	(0.01)	\$	(0.48)
Earnings per share	\$	(0.80)	\$	0.10	\$ (0.01)	\$	0.42	\$	0.12
Distributions declared per share ⁽²⁾	į\$	0.36 į	\$	0.41	\$ 0.36	\$	0.41	\$	0.34
Weighted average shares outstanding	!	53,073,211 !	!	53,268,577	53,439,316		53,595,624	5	3,960,698
Shares outstanding, end of period	<u> </u>	53,003,407		53,189,269	53,359,886		53,525,623	5	3,760,605



^{1.} Includes certain prepayment fees, exit fees, accelerated OID and paid-in-kind interest income.

^{2.} Include a supplemental distribution of \$0.05 per share during the quarter ended June 30, 2024 and a special distribution of \$0.05 per share during the quarter ended December 31, 2024.

Quarterly Balance Sheet

All figures in thousands, except per share data and asset coverage ratio		Q1 2025		Q4 2024		Q3 2024		Q2 2024		Q1 2024
Assets	<u> </u>			·						
Investments, at fair value	!\$	1,845,660 !	\$	1,888,688	\$	1,806,229	\$	1,906,125	\$	1,870,837
Cash	-	7,720		7,670		29,765		9,798		48,482
Interest receivable on investments	i	40,863		45,140		49,446		40,841		36,366
Receivable due on investments sold	į	1,047 <u>i</u>		2,965		28,604		2,631		11,452
Dividend receivable on investments	:	-!		_		76		129		_
Prepaid expenses and other assets	-	1,033		1,265		1,501		942		1,137
Total Assets	į\$	1,896,323	\$	1,945,728	\$	1,915,621	\$	1,960,466	\$	1,968,274
Liabilities & Net Assets	:	:								
Financing arrangements (net of debt issuance costs) ⁽¹⁾	į\$	1,099,776 į	\$	1,099,187	\$	1,054,919	\$	1,061,710	\$	1,060,455
Payable for investments purchased	:	1,896 ¦		1,019		_		11,789		21,041
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	-	990		1,034		1,316		1,031		743
Interest payable	į	6,475		8,244		7,201		9,614		8,556
Accrued management fees	:	6,625 !		6,761		6,854		6,841		6,864
Accrued subordinated incentive fee on income	-	4,084		3,964		4,586		4,871		6,914
Accrued administrative services expense	i	544 i		2,006		1,515		1,128		642
Share repurchase payable	į	— <u>i</u>		40		40		_		_
Shareholder distribution payable	!	19,149		2,663		_		2,676		_
Total Liabilities	\$	1,139,539	\$	1,124,918	\$	1,076,431	\$	1,099,660	\$	1,105,215
Total Net Assets	;\$	756,784 i	\$	820,810	\$	839,190	\$	860,806	\$	863,059
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	1,896,323	\$	1,945,728	\$	1,915,621	\$	1,960,466	\$	1,968,274
Net Asset Value per share	i Ś	14.28	Ś	15.43	Ś	15.73	Ś	16.08	Ś	16.05
Asset coverage ratio ⁽²⁾	т.	1.68	· · ·	1.73	<u> </u>	1.78		1.80	<u></u>	1.81

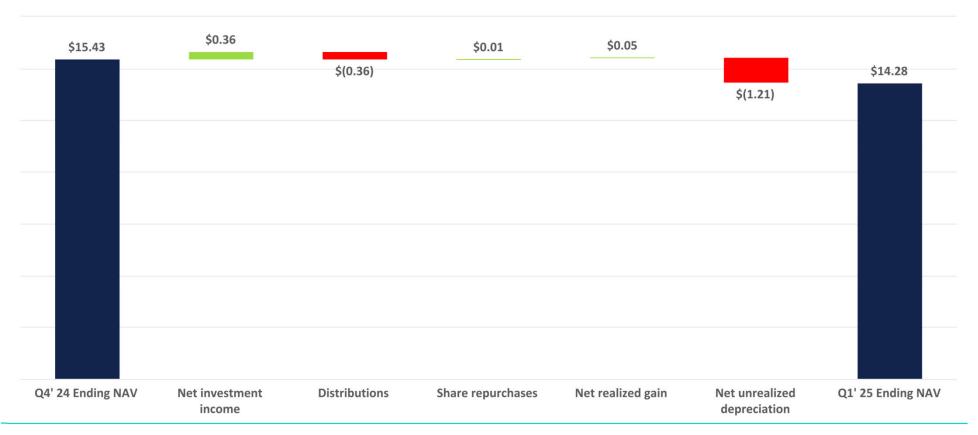
^{1.} The Company had debt issuance costs of \$17,568 as of March 31, 2025, \$18,156 as of December 31, 2024, \$14,925 as of September 30, 2024, \$8,134 as of June 30, 2024 and \$9,388 as of March 31, 2024.

^{2.} Asset coverage ratio is equal to (i) the sum of (a) net assets at the end of the period and (b) total senior securities outstanding at the end of the period (excluding unfunded commitments), divided by (ii) total senior securities outstanding at the end of the period.



Q1 2025 Net Asset Value Bridge

Per Share Data





Debt Summary

\$106 million in available capacity within existing senior secured facilities

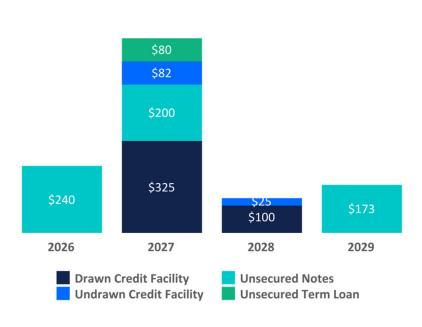
DEBT SCHEDULE

(\$ in millions)

	Total Commitment Amount	Principal Amount Outstanding	Interest Rate	Maturity Date
JPM Credit Facility	\$406	\$325	S + 2.55% ⁽²⁾	6/15/2027
Unsecured Notes, 2029 ⁽¹⁾	173	173	7.50%	12/30/2029
UBS Credit Facility	125	100	S + 2.75%	2/13/2028
Unsecured Notes, 2026 ⁽¹⁾	125	125	4.50%	2/11/2026
Series A Unsecured Notes, 2026 ⁽¹⁾	115	115	S + 3.82%	8/31/2026
Unsecured Notes, Tranche A 2027 ⁽¹⁾	100	100	S + 4.75%	11/8/2027
Unsecured Notes, Tranche B, 2027 ⁽¹⁾	100	100	S + 3.90%	11/8/2027
2022 Unsecured Term Loan ⁽¹⁾	50	50	S + 3.50%	4/27/2027
2024 Unsecured Term Loan ⁽¹⁾	30	30	S + 3.80%	9/30/2027
Total Debt	\$1,224	\$1,117	7.5%	

DEBT MATURITIES

(\$ in millions)



^{2.} The Company pays an annual administrative fee of 0.20% on JPM's total financing commitment.



^{1.} Investment grade credit rating.

Distribution Per Share and Distribution Coverage

	Q2 2023	Q3 2023	Q4 2023	Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q1 2025
Net Investment Income (per share)	\$0.43	\$0.55	\$0.40	\$0.60	\$0.43	\$0.40	\$0.35	\$0.36
Distribution (per share)	\$0.34	\$0.39(1)	\$0.54(1)	\$0.34	\$0.41(1)	\$0.36	\$0.41(1)	\$0.36
Distribution coverage	1.26x	1.41x	0.74x	1.76x	1.05x	1.11x	0.85x	1.00x



1. Includes special and/or supplemental distributions of \$0.05, \$0.20. \$0.05 and \$0.05 per share during Q3 2023, Q4 2023, Q2 2024 and Q4 2024, respectively.



