



CION Investment Corporation

Fourth Quarter 2021
Earnings Presentation



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Quarterly Highlights - Quarter Ended December 31, 2021

The Company completed a 2-to-1 reverse stock split effective September 21, 2021. Accordingly, share and per share amounts in this presentation have been retroactively adjusted to reflect the 2-to-1 reverse stock split.

- On March 8, 2022, the Company's co-chief executive officers declared a second quarter regular distribution of \$0.28 per share payable on June 8, 2022 to shareholders of record as of June 1, 2022;
- On December 21, 2021, the Company formed a joint venture partnership with an affiliate of EagleTree Capital, LP to jointly pursue debt opportunities and special situation, crossover, subordinated and other junior capital investments;
- On December 30, 2021, the Company received shareholder approval to reduce its asset coverage ratio requirement from 200% to 150%, effective December 31, 2021, which allows the Company to increase the maximum amount of leverage that it is permitted to incur;
- Net investment income per share for the quarter ended December 31, 2021 was \$0.32. Earnings per share for the quarter ended December 31, 2021 was \$0.28;
- Net asset value per share was \$16.34 as of December 31, 2021 compared to \$16.52 as of September 30, 2021. The decrease was primarily due to the year-end special distribution of \$0.20 per share that was paid in the fourth quarter;
- As of December 31, 2021, the Company had \$830 million of total principal amount of debt outstanding of which 81% was comprised of senior secured bank debt and 19% was comprised of unsecured debt. The Company's debt-to-equity ratio was 0.89x as of December 31, 2021 compared to 0.86x as of September 30, 2021;
- As of December 31, 2021, the Company had total investments at fair value of \$1,666 million in 113 portfolio companies across 22 industries. The investment portfolio was comprised of 93.9% senior secured loans, including 91.6% in first lien investments;¹
- During the quarter, the Company had new investment commitments of \$353 million, funded new investment commitments of \$339 million, funded previously unfunded commitments of \$10 million, and had sales and repayments totaling \$319 million, resulting in a net funded portfolio change of \$30 million;
- The Company placed one new investment on non-accrual status during the quarter. As of December 31, 2021, investments on non-accrual status amounted to 0.7% and 2.5% of the total investment portfolio at fair value and amortized cost, respectively;
- For the quarter ended December 31, 2021, the Company paid distributions totaling \$26.5 million, or \$0.465 per share, with two record dates, which included a quarterly regular distribution of \$0.26 per share and a year-end special distribution of \$0.20 per share; and
- As previously announced, the Company's co-chief executive officers declared a first quarter 2022 distribution of \$0.28 per share payable on March 30, 2022 to shareholders of record as of March 23, 2022.

Selected Financial Highlights

(\$ in millions)	Q4 2021	Q3 2021	Q2 2021	Q1 2021	Q4 2020
Investment portfolio, at fair value ¹	\$1,666	\$1,630	\$1,676	\$1,534	\$1,496
Total debt outstanding ²	\$830	\$805	\$805	\$725	\$725
Net assets	\$931	\$941	\$926	\$913	\$878
Ending debt-to-equity	0.89x	0.86x	0.87x	0.79x	0.83x
Total investment income	\$40.4	\$42.6	\$38.0	\$36.3	\$43.4
Net investment income	\$18.4	\$19.6	\$18.7	\$17.6	\$21.7
Net realized and unrealized (losses) gains	(\$2.4)	\$5.5	\$9.3	\$32.1	\$25.5
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$16.0	\$25.1	\$28.0	\$49.7	\$47.2
Per Share Data					
Net asset value per share	\$16.34	\$16.52	\$16.34	\$16.12	\$15.50
Net investment income per share	\$0.32	\$0.35	\$0.33	\$0.31	\$0.38
Net realized and unrealized (losses) gains per share	(\$0.04)	\$0.09	\$0.16	\$0.57	\$0.45
Earnings per share	\$0.28	\$0.44	\$0.49	\$0.88	\$0.83
Distributions declared per share ⁽³⁾	\$0.46	\$0.26	\$0.26	\$0.26	\$0.57

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

(2) Total debt outstanding excludes netting of debt issuance costs. Please refer to page 10 for debt net of issuance costs.

(3) Includes special distributions of \$0.20 per share and \$0.31 per share during the quarter ended December 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

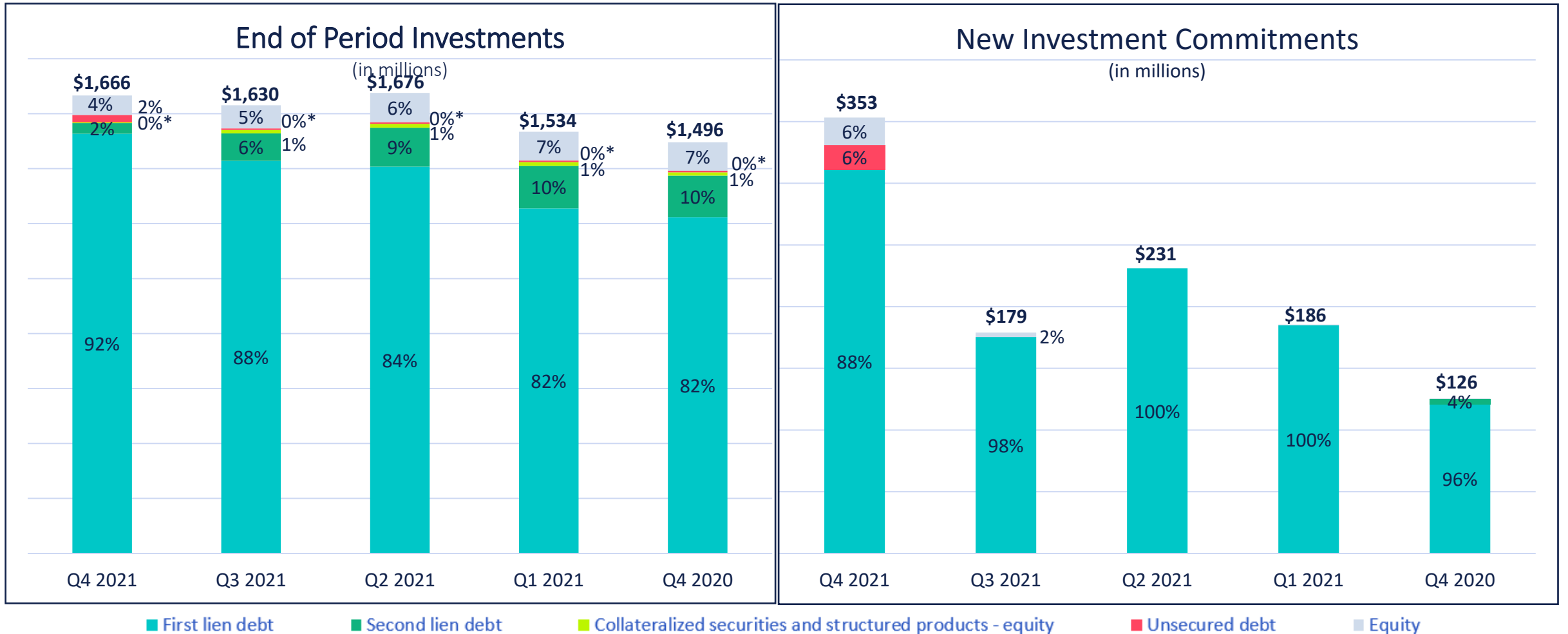
Investment Activity

- New investment commitments for the quarter were \$353 million, of which \$339 million were funded and \$14 million were unfunded.
- New investment commitments were made across 13 new portfolio companies and 5 existing portfolio companies.
- Fundings of previously unfunded commitments for the quarter were \$10 million.
- Sales and repayments totaled \$319 million for the quarter primarily driven by the full sale or repayment of investments in 25 portfolio companies.

(\$ in millions)	Q4 2021	Q3 2021	Q2 2021	Q1 2021	Q4 2020
New investment commitments	\$353	\$179	\$231	\$186	\$126
Funded	\$339	\$157	\$220	\$183	\$113
Unfunded	\$14	\$22	\$11	\$3	\$13
Fundings of previously unfunded commitments	\$10	\$8	\$2	\$1	\$9
Repayments	(\$107)	(\$197)	(\$92)	(\$174)	(\$160)
Sales	(\$212)	(\$27)	(\$5)	(\$15)	(\$21)
Net funded investment activity	\$30	(\$58)	\$125	(\$6)	(\$59)

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%.

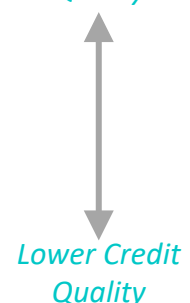
The discussion of the investment portfolio is at fair value and excludes short term investments.

Credit Quality of Investments

INTERNAL INVESTMENT RISK RATINGS¹

(% of Total Portfolio, Fair Value)

Higher Credit Quality

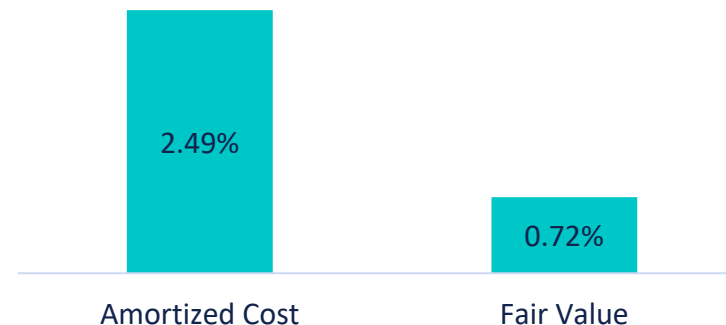


Lower Credit Quality

Rating	Q4 2021	Q3 2021	Q2 2021	Q1 2021	Q4 2020
1	2.8%	5.3%	7.3%	3.5%	0.2%
2	82.5%	79.7%	75.5%	77.1%	78.5%
3	14.0%	14.1%	16.7%	18.8%	20.7%
4	0.5%	0.9%	0.4%	0.5%	0.6%
5	0.2%	0.0%*	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%*
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

* - Less than 1%.

Q4 2021 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.
- 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.
- 3 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 covenants.
We expect some loss of interest, dividend or capital appreciation, but still expect an overall positive internal rate of return on the investment.
- 5 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 December 31, 2021)

Investment Portfolio

Total investments and unfunded commitments	\$1,773.3 million
Unfunded commitments	\$107.2 million
Investments at fair value	\$1,666.1 million
Yield on debt and other income producing investments at amortized cost ¹	8.89%
Yield on performing loans at amortized cost ¹	9.16%
Yield on total investments at amortized cost ¹	8.62%

Portfolio Companies

Number of portfolio companies	113
Weighted average leverage (net debt/EBITDA) ²	4.52x
Weighted average interest coverage ²	3.39x
Median EBITDA ³	\$36.3 million

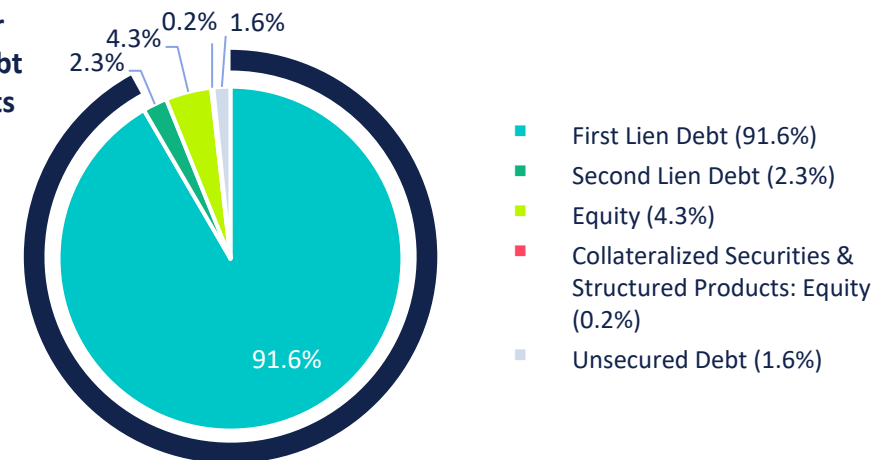
Industry Diversification⁴

Industry	% of Investment Portfolio
Healthcare & Pharmaceuticals	15.0%
Services: Business	14.4%
Media: Diversified & Production	8.4%
Services: Consumer	7.2%
Chemicals, Plastics & Rubber	6.6%
Other (≤ 5.3% each)	48.4%

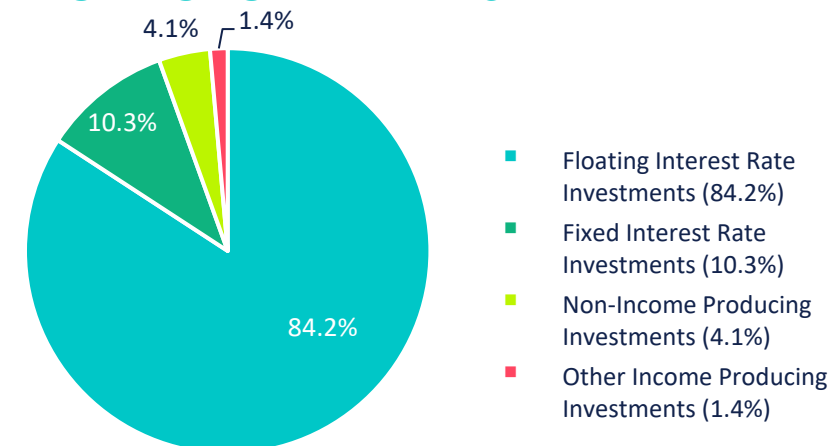
(1) See endnote 4 in our press release filed with the SEC on March 10, 2022. (2) See endnote 5 in our press release filed with the SEC on March 10, 2022. (3) See endnote 6 in our press release filed with the SEC on March 10, 2022. (4) The discussion of the investment portfolio excludes short term investments.

PORTFOLIO BY SECURITY TYPE¹

94% Senior Secured Debt Investments



PORTFOLIO BY INTEREST RATE TYPE¹



Quarterly Operating Results

	Q4 2021	Q3 2021	Q2 2021	Q1 2021	Q4 2020
Investment income					
Interest income ¹	\$ 37,695	\$ 37,206	\$ 36,117	\$ 34,461	\$ 40,208
Dividend income	138	3,871	1,024	909	762
Fee income	2,571	1,543	880	933	2,429
Total investment income	\$ 40,404	\$ 42,620	\$ 38,021	\$ 36,303	\$ 43,399
Expenses					
Management fees	\$ 6,674	\$ 8,443	\$ 8,243	\$ 7,783	\$ 7,668
Interest and other debt expenses	8,256	8,175	7,828	7,548	7,361
Incentive fees	3,942	2,933	-	-	4,323
Other operating expenses	2,821	3,431	3,260	3,362	2,073
Total expenses before taxes	\$ 21,693	\$ 22,982	\$ 19,331	\$ 18,693	\$ 21,425
Income tax expense, including excise tax	301	26	4	11	243
Net investment income after taxes	\$ 18,410	\$ 19,612	\$ 18,686	\$ 17,599	\$ 21,731
Net realized and unrealized (losses) gains					
Net realized (loss) gain	\$ (15,209)	\$ 19,736	\$ 441	\$ (4,128)	\$ (12,179)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	12,772	(14,240)	8,842	36,243	37,664
Net realized and unrealized (losses) gains	\$ (2,437)	\$ 5,496	\$ 9,283	\$ 32,115	\$ 25,485
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 15,973	\$ 25,108	\$ 27,969	\$ 49,714	\$ 47,216
Per share data					
Net investment income	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.31	\$ 0.38
Earnings per share	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.44	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.88	\$ 0.83
Distributions declared per share	\$ 0.46	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.57
Weighted average shares outstanding	56,958,440	56,774,323	56,748,789	56,753,521	57,056,443
Shares outstanding, end of period	56,958,440	56,958,440	56,648,595	56,649,918	56,646,867

¹ Includes certain prepayment fees, exit fees and paid-in-kind interest income.

Quarterly Balance Sheet

	Q4 2021	Q3 2021	Q2 2021	Q1 2021	Q4 2020
Assets					
Investments, at fair value	\$1,754,039	\$1,746,298	\$1,724,038	\$1,621,641	\$1,569,371
Cash	3,774	2,159	1,496	1,641	19,914
Interest receivable on investments	21,549	21,283	20,279	17,101	17,484
Receivable due on investments sold	2,854	19,559	8,888	39,915	6,193
Dividend receivable on investments	-	135	187	315	45
Prepaid expenses and other assets	466	474	426	667	1,788
Total Assets	\$1,782,682	\$1,789,908	\$1,755,314	\$1,681,280	\$1,614,795
Liabilities & Net Assets					
Financing arrangements (net of debt issuance costs) ¹	\$822,372	\$796,673	\$796,003	\$716,311	\$719,956
Payable for investments purchased	11,327	33,360	17,938	40,217	133
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,922	3,509	2,160	921	694
Interest payable	4,339	2,838	4,185	2,717	2,500
Accrued management fees	6,673	8,443	8,243	7,783	7,668
Accrued subordinated incentive fee on income	3,942	2,933	-	-	4,323
Accrued administrative services expense	1,595	1,139	905	389	1,265
Total Liabilities	\$852,170	\$848,895	\$829,434	\$768,338	\$736,539
Total Net Assets	\$930,512	\$941,013	\$925,880	\$912,942	\$878,256
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$1,782,682	\$1,789,908	\$1,755,314	\$1,681,280	\$1,614,795
Net Asset Value per share	\$16.34	\$16.52	\$16.34	\$16.12	\$15.50
Asset coverage ratio²	2.12	2.17	2.15	2.26	2.21

All figures in thousands, except per share data.

¹ The Company had debt issuance costs of \$7,628 as of December 31, 2021, \$8,327 as of September 30, 2021, \$8,997 as of June 30, 2021, \$8,689 as of March 31, 2021 and \$5,044 as of December 31, 2020.

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.

Q4 2021 Net Asset Value Bridge

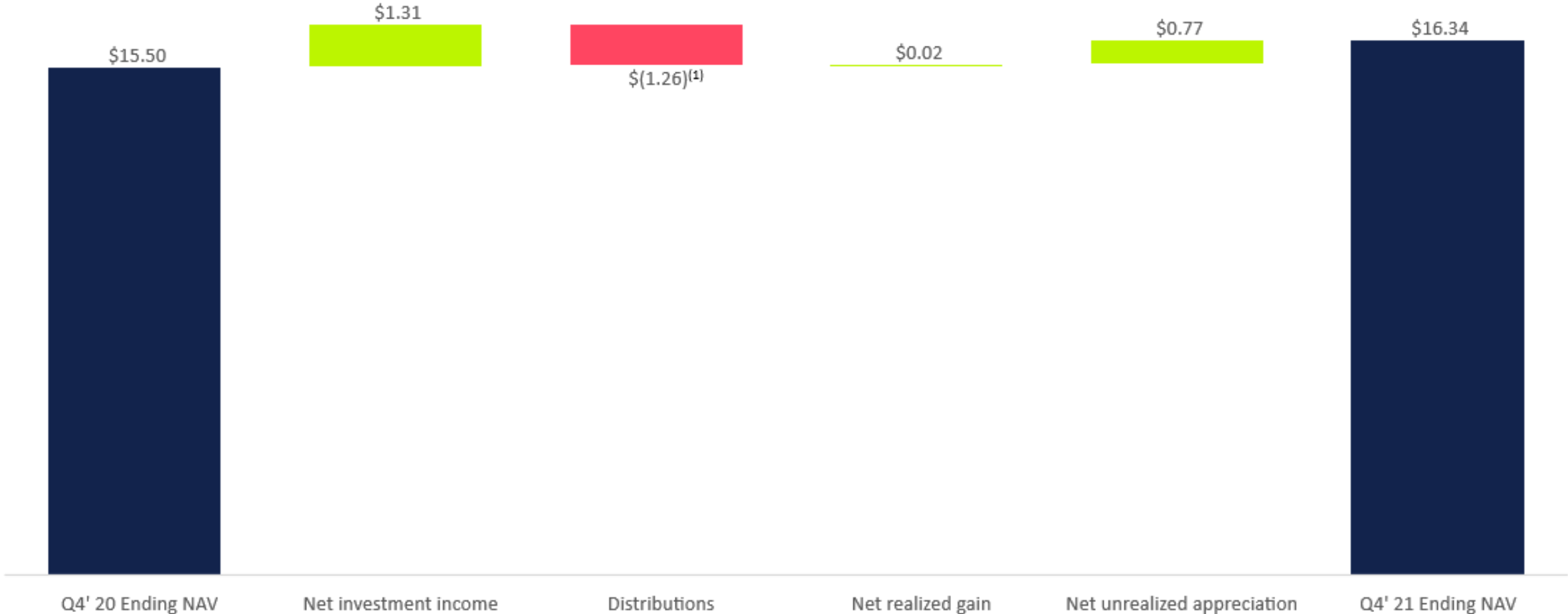
Per Share Data



(1) Includes a special distribution of \$0.20 per share during the quarter ended December 31, 2021.

Full Year 2021 Net Asset Value Bridge

Per Share Data



(1) Includes a special distribution of \$0.20 per share during the quarter ended December 31, 2021.

Debt Summary

\$50 million in available capacity within existing senior secured facilities

DEBT SCHEDULE

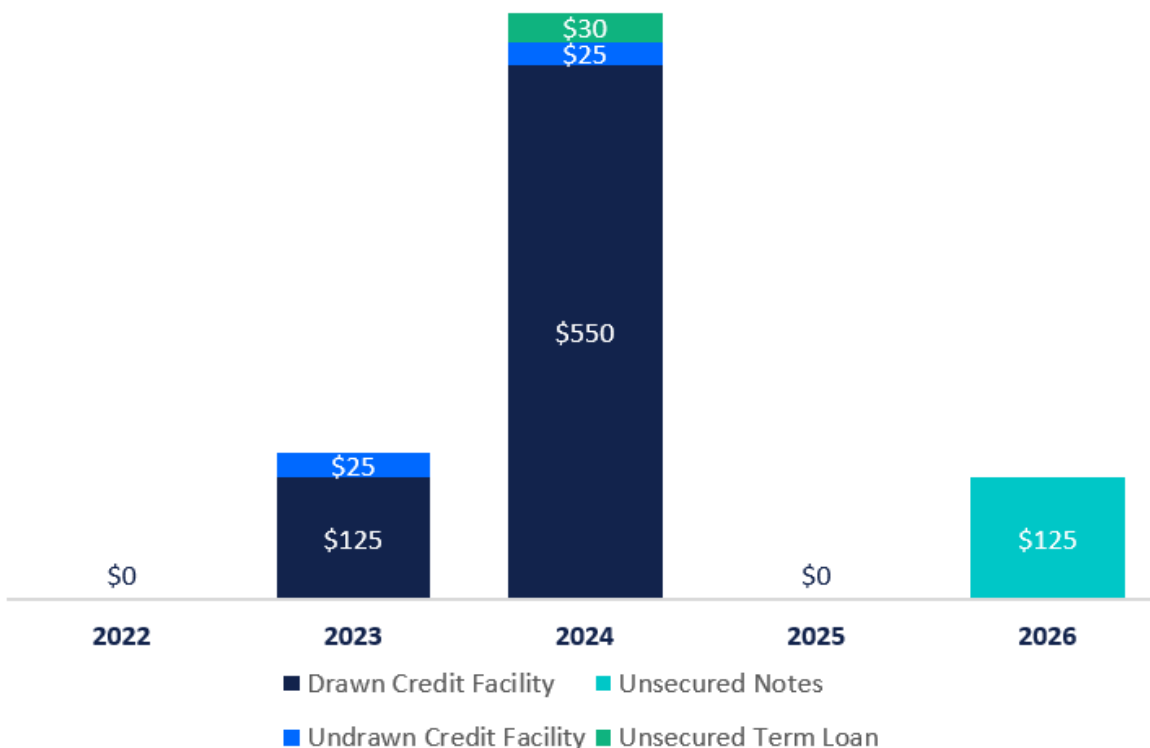
(\$ in millions)

	Total Commitment Amount	Principal Amount Outstanding	Interest Rate	Maturity Date
JPM Credit Facility	\$575	\$550	L + 3.10%	5/15/2024
UBS Facility	150	125	L + 3.375%	11/19/2023
Unsecured Notes, 2026 ¹	125	125	4.50%	2/11/2026
Unsecured Term Loan ¹	30	30	5.20%	9/30/2024
Total Debt	\$880	\$830	3.6%	

(1) Investment grade credit rating.

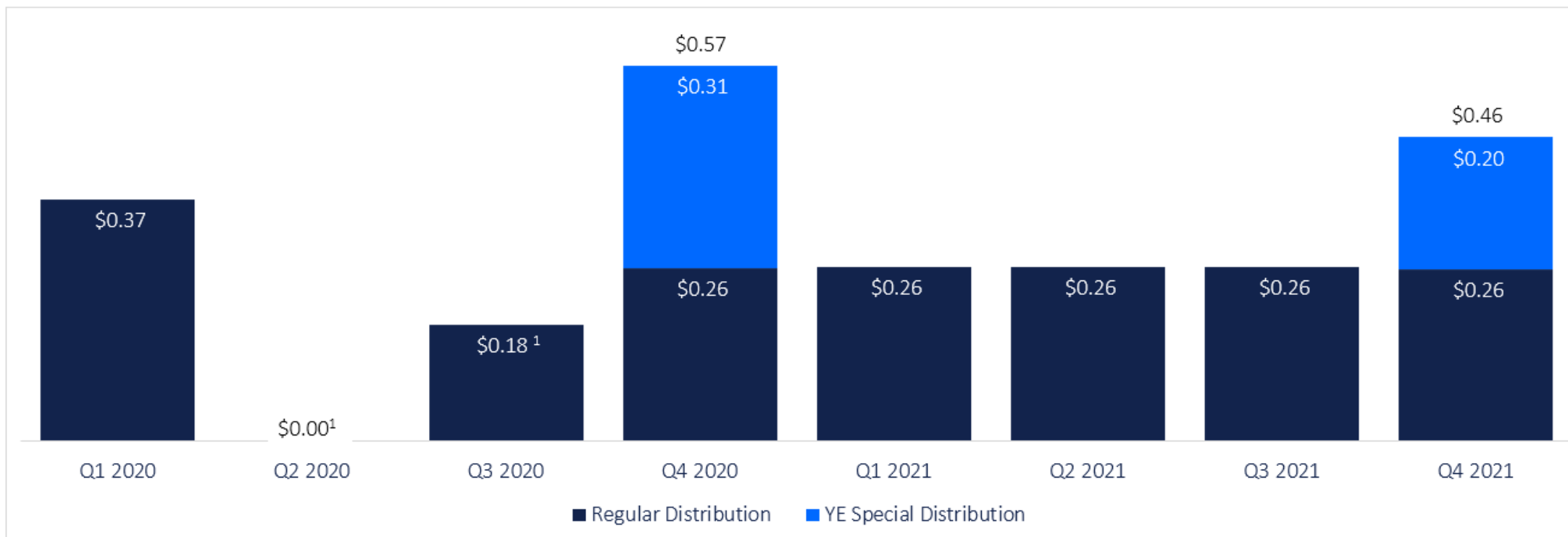
DEBT MATURITIES

(\$ in millions)



Distribution Per Share and Distribution Coverage

	Q1 2020	Q2 2020	Q3 2020	Q4 2020	Q1 2021	Q2 2021	Q3 2021	Q4 2021	Fiscal Year	
									2020	2021
Net Investment Income (per share)	\$0.38	\$0.25	\$0.38	\$0.38	\$0.31	\$0.33	\$0.35	\$0.32	\$1.39	\$1.31
Distribution (per share)	\$0.37	\$0.00 ¹	\$0.18 ¹	\$0.57	\$0.26	\$0.26	\$0.26	\$0.46	\$1.11	\$1.26
Distribution coverage	1.04x	NA ¹	2.14x	0.67x	1.17x	1.24x	1.32x	0.70x	1.25x	1.04x





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