

Fourth Quarter 2021

Earnings Presentation

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Financial and Portfolio Highlights

Financial Highlights

(all per share amounts, excluding net asset value per share, are basic and diluted)	Q4-21	Q3-21	Q4-20	FY-21	FY-20
Core EPS*(1)	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.54	\$ 2.02	\$ 1.74
Net Investment Income Per Share	\$ 0.52	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.54	\$ 1.66	\$ 1.87
Net Realized Gains (Losses) Per Share	\$ 0.04	\$ 0.33	\$ (0.43)	\$ 0.54	\$ (0.39)
Net Unrealized Gains (Losses) Per Share	\$ 0.27	\$ -	\$ 0.78	\$ 1.31	\$ (0.34)
GAAP Net Income Per Share	\$ 0.83	\$ 0.73	\$ 0.89	\$ 3.51	\$ 1.14
Net Asset Value Per Share	\$ 18.96	\$ 18.52	\$ 16.97	\$ 18.96	\$ 16.97

Portfolio Highlights

(dollar amounts in millions)	Q4-21	Q3-21	Q4-20	FY-21	FY-20
Gross Commitments ⁽²⁾	\$5,866	\$ 3,110	\$3,858	\$15,573	\$6,703
Exits of Commitments ⁽³⁾	\$3,869	\$2,263	\$3,032	\$ 11,195	\$ 5,786
Total Fair Value of Investments	\$20,009	\$17,677	\$15,515	\$20,009	\$15,515
Weighted Average Yield on Debt and Other Income Producing Securities at Amortized Cost ⁽⁴⁾	8.7 %	8.9 %	9.3 %	8.7 %	9.3 %
Weighted Average Yield on Total Investments at Amortized Cost ⁽⁵⁾	7.9 %	8.2 %	8.5 %	7.9 %	8.5 %



^{*} See slide 23 hereof for reconciliations of basic and diluted Core EPS to GAAP net income per share, the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure

Selected Historical Financial Information

			As of and	for th	e Three Moi	nths <u>E</u> i	nded		
(dollar amounts in millions, except per share data and stock prices)	1	12/31/21	9/30/21	(6/30/21		3/31/21	1	2/31/20
Core EPS - Basic and Diluted*(1)	\$	0.58	\$ 0.47	\$	0.53	\$	0.43	\$	0.54
Net Investment Income Per Share – Basic and Diluted	\$	0.52	\$ 0.40	\$	0.39	\$	0.33	\$	0.54
Net Realized and Unrealized Gains Per Share – Basic and Diluted	\$	0.31	\$ 0.33	\$	0.70	\$	0.54	\$	0.35
GAAP Net Income Per Share – Basic and Diluted	\$	0.83	\$ 0.73	\$	1.09	\$	0.87	\$	0.89
Dividend Declared and Payable Per Share	\$	0.41	\$ 0.41	\$	0.40	\$	0.40	\$	0.40
Stockholders' Equity	\$	8,868	\$ 8,537	\$	8,078	\$	7,632	\$	7,176
Net Asset Value Per Share	\$	18.96	\$ 18.52	\$	18.16	\$	17.45	\$	16.97
Debt/Equity Ratio		1.26x	1.17x		1.16x		1.06x		1.20x
Debt/Equity Ratio, Net of Available Cash ⁽⁶⁾		1.21x	1.04x		1.12x		1.02x		1.17x
Unsecured Debt to Total Debt		75.9 %	83.5 %		85.1 %		81.1 %		67.2 %
Weighted Average Stated Interest on Debt ⁽⁷⁾		3.1 %	3.2 %		3.3 %		3.3 %		3.4 %
Net Interest and Dividend Margin ⁽⁸⁾		6.4 %	6.5 %		6.5 %	6.5		6.5 %	
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges ⁽⁹⁾		3.7	3.3		3.8		3.2		3.9
Market Capitalization									
Principal Debt	\$	11,061	\$ 9,928	\$	9,278	\$	8,061	\$	8,582
Equity		9,910	9,367		8,715		8,183		7,142
Total Market Capitalization	\$	20,971	\$ 19,295	\$	17,993	\$	16,244	\$	15,724
Common Stock Data:									
High Price during the period	\$	21.70	\$ 20.43	\$	19.97	\$	19.23	\$	17.28
Low Price during the period	\$	19.66	\$ 19.52	\$	18.29	\$	16.51	\$	13.82
Closing Price	\$	21.19	\$ 20.33	\$	19.59	\$	18.71	\$	16.89



Selected Historical Financial Information (cont'd)

			As of		
(dollar amounts in millions)	12/31/21	9/30/21	6/30/21	3/31/21	12/31/20
Investments at Fair Value	\$ 20,009	\$ 17,677	\$ 17,136	\$ 15,429	\$ 15,515
Number of Portfolio Companies ⁽¹⁰⁾	387	371	365	350	350
Asset Class (at fair value):					
First Lien Senior Secured Loans ⁽¹¹⁾	47 %	49 %	47 %	47 %	46 %
Second Lien Senior Secured Loans	23 %	23 %	24 %	25 %	26 %
Senior Direct Lending Program ⁽¹²⁾	5 %	5 %	6 %	7 %	7 %
Senior Subordinated Loans	4 %	6 %	6 %	6 %	6 %
Preferred Equity	8 %	7 %	7 %	6 %	6 %
Other Equity	13 %	10 %	10 %	9 %	9 %
Interest Rate Type (at fair value)					
% Floating Rate ⁽¹³⁾	77 %	80 %	79 %	82 %	84 %
% Fixed Rate	10 %	9 %	8 %	6 %	5 %
% Non-Income Producing	8 %	8 %	10 %	8 %	7 %
% IHAM*	5 %	3 %	3 %	4 %	4 %
Yields:					
Weighted Avg. Yield on Debt and Other Income Producing Securities at Amortized Cost ⁽⁴⁾	8.7 %	8.9 %	9.0 %	9.2 %	9.3 %
Weighted Avg. Yield on Debt and Other Income Producing Securities at Fair Value ⁽⁴⁾	8.7 %	8.9 %	9.0 %	9.3 %	9.4 %
Weighted Average Yield on Total Investments at Amortized Cost (5)	7.9 %	8.2 %	8.2 %	8.4 %	8.5 %
Weighted Average Yield on Total Investments at Fair Value ⁽⁵⁾	7.9 %	8.2 %	8.2 %	8.5 %	8.7 %



Selected Historical Financial Information (cont'd)

		Foi	r the T	Three Months End	ded		
(dollar amounts in millions)	12/31/21	9/30/21	9/30/21		6/30/21		12/31/20
Commitments:							
Gross Commitments ⁽²⁾	\$ 5,866	\$ 3,110	\$	4,847	\$	1,750	\$ 3,858
Exits of Commitments ⁽³⁾	(3,869)	(2,263)		(2,925)		(2,138)	(3,032)
Net Commitments ⁽¹⁴⁾	\$ 1,997	\$ 847	\$	1,922	\$	(388)	\$ 826
Gross Commitments Information:							
Number of Transactions	86	47		70		39	59
Weighted Average Commitment Term in Months	78	77		75		69	78
Average Commitment in Period	\$ 68	\$ 66	\$	69	\$	45	\$ 65
Fundings:							
Gross Fundings	\$ 5,682	\$ 2,531	\$	4,123	\$	1,551	\$ 3,396
Net Fundings ⁽¹⁴⁾	\$ 2,122	\$ 454	\$	1,425	\$	(366)	\$ 683
Portfolio Turnover	0.19	0.12		0.17		0.10	0.18



Quarterly Operating Results

	For the Three Months Ended								
(amounts in millions, except per share data)		12/31/21		9/30/21		6/30/21		3/31/21	12/31/20
Investment income	\$	529	\$	442	\$	459	\$	390	\$ 440
Expenses		279		253		277		241	204
Net investment income before income taxes		250		189		182		149	236
Income tax expense, including excise tax		8		5		11		5	7
Net investment income		242		184		171		144	229
Net realized and unrealized gains		140		150		307		229	149
Net Income	\$	382	\$	334	\$	478	\$	373	\$ 378
Per Share:									
Core EPS - Basic and Diluted* ⁽¹⁾	\$	0.58	\$	0.47	\$	0.53	\$	0.43	\$ 0.54
Net Income - Basic and Diluted	\$	0.83	\$	0.73	\$	1.09	\$	0.87	\$ 0.89
Dividends Declared and Payable	\$	0.41	\$	0.41	\$	0.40	\$	0.40	\$ 0.40
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding - Basic and Diluted		463		453		440		429	423
Common shares outstanding at end of period		468		461		445		437	423

	For the Ye	ars	Ended
(amounts in millions, except per share data)	12/31/21		12/31/20
Investment income	\$ 1,820	\$	1,511
Expenses	1,050		698
Net investment income before income taxes	770		813
Income tax expense, including excise tax	29		19
Net investment income	741		794
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)	826		(310)
Net Income	\$ 1,567	\$	484
Per Share:			
Core EPS - Basic and Diluted* ⁽¹⁾	\$ 2.02	\$	1.74
Net Income - Basic and Diluted	\$ 3.51	\$	1.14
Dividends Declared and Payable	\$ 1.62	\$	1.60
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding - Basic and Diluted	446		424
Common shares outstanding at end of period	468		423



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Quarterly Operating Results Detail

		For the Th	ree Months Endec	1	
(amounts in millions)	12/31/21	9/30/21	6/30/21	3/31/21	12/31/20
Net Investment Income Before Income Taxes:					
Investment Income:					
Interest income from investments	\$ 336	\$ 317 \$	305 \$	289 \$	294
Capital structuring service fees	116	59	93	38	93
Dividend income	64	54	52	52	40
Other income	13	12	9	11	13
Total investment income	529	442	459	390	440
Expenses:					
Interest and credit facility fees	105	94	87	86	82
Base management fees	69	65	61	58	56
Income based fees	67	53	59	46	57
Capital gains incentive fees*	28	30	61	42	_
Administrative fees	4	4	3	4	3
Other general and administrative	6	7	6	5	6
Total operating expenses	279	253	277	241	204
Net investment income before income taxes	250	189	182	149	236
Income tax expense, including excise tax	8	5	11	5	7
Net Investment Income	\$ 242	\$ 184 \$	171 \$	144 \$	229

^{*} Accrued in accordance with GAAP. As of December 31, 2021, Ares Capital had accrued \$161 million of incentive fees payable related to capital gains under GAAP, of which only \$26 million was actually payable under Ares Capital's investment advisory and management agreement with its investment adviser, Ares Management for the 2021 fiscal year. Such amount will be paid in the first quarter of 2022



Quarterly Gain/Loss Detail

		Fo	r the Three Months Ei	nded	
(amounts in millions)	12/31/21	9/30/21	6/30/21	3/31/21	12/31/20
Net Realized and Unrealized Gains (Losses):					
Realized gains (losses) on investments:					
Gains	\$ 49	\$ 233	\$ 79	\$ 80	\$ 38
Losses	(49) (110)	(11)	(13)	(208
Net realized gains (losses) on investments	-	123	68	67	(170
Unrealized gains (losses) on investments:					
Unrealized appreciation	219	230	358	292	275
Unrealized depreciation	(130) (127)) (78)	(48)	(138
Net unrealized gains on investments	89	103	280	244	137
Net unrealized (appreciation) depreciation reversed related to net				4	
realized gains or losses on investments	56	(91)) (40)	(39)	195
Total net unrealized gains on investments	145	12	240	205	332
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) on foreign currency and other transactions	(5) 15	(1)	_	(13
Realized loss on extinguishment of debt	_	_	_	(43)	_
Net realized and unrealized gains	\$ 140	\$ 150	\$ 307	\$ 229	\$ 149



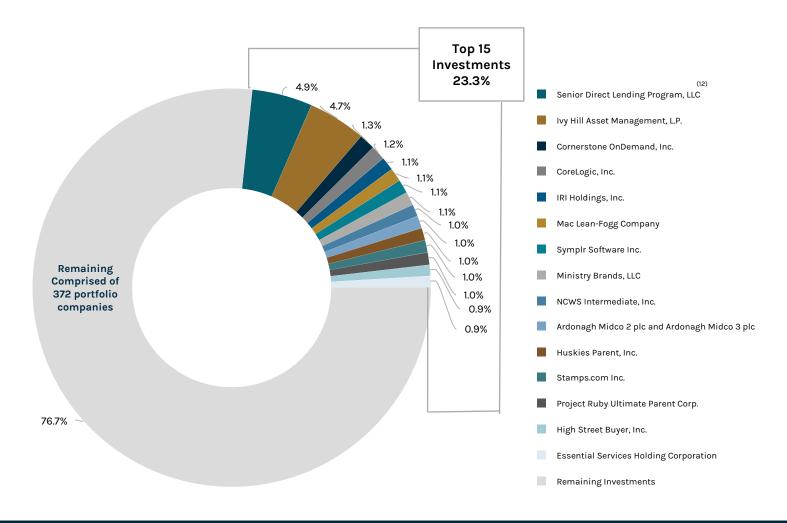
Quarterly Balance Sheets

	 	As of							<u></u>
(amounts in millions, except per share data)	12/31/21		9/30/21		6/30/21		3/31/21		12/31/20
ASSETS									
Investments at fair value	\$ 20,009	\$	17,677	\$	17,136	\$	15,429	\$	15,515
Cash and cash equivalents	372		1,193		377		337		254
Restricted cash	114		20		57		19		72
Interest receivable	142		111		110		98		112
Receivable from participants	_		_		30		_		38
Receivable for open trades	80		24		172		2		73
Other assets	99		98		110		100		94
Operating lease right-of-use asset	27		31		34		36		38
Total assets	\$ 20,843	\$	19,154	\$	18,026	\$	16,021	\$	16,196
LIABILITIES									
Debt	\$ 11.020	\$	9,895	\$	9,233	\$	8,005	\$	8,491
Base management fees payable	69	•	65		61	•	58	•	56
Income based fees payable	67		53		59		46		140
Capital gains incentive fees payable*	161		133		103		42		_
Interest and facility fees payable	100		66		97		47		83
Payable to participants	114		20		57		19		72
Payable for open trades	216		153		109		19		6
Accounts payable and other liabilities	111		87		77		73		90
Secured borrowings	74		97		99		24		23
Operating lease liabilities	43		48		53		56		59
Total liabilities	11,975		10,617		9,948		8,389		9,020
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY									
Common stock	_		_		_		_		-
Capital in excess of par value	8,553		8,373		8,059		7,914		7,656
Accumulated undistributed (overdistributed) earnings	315		164		19		(282)		(480
Total stockholders' equity	 8,868	_	8,537		8,078		7,632		7,176
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$ 20,843	\$	19,154	\$	18,026	\$	16,021	\$	16,196
NET ASSETS PER SHARE	\$ 18.96	\$	18.52	\$	18.16	\$	17.45	\$_	16.97

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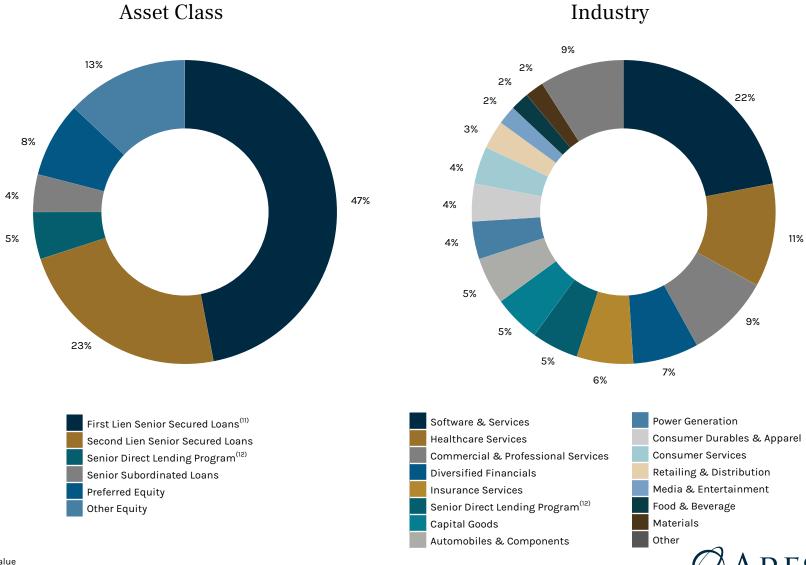
Investment Portfolio by Issuer as of December 31, 2021*



Diversified \$20.0 billion portfolio with 387 portfolio companies



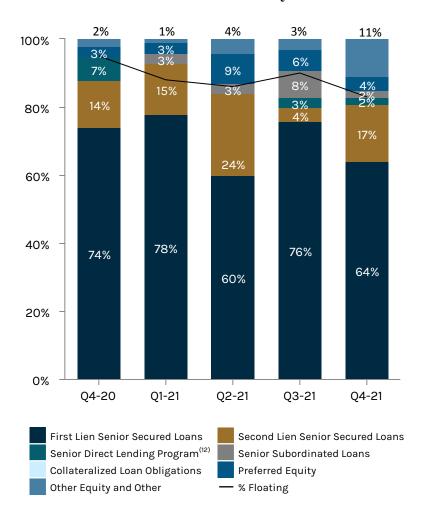
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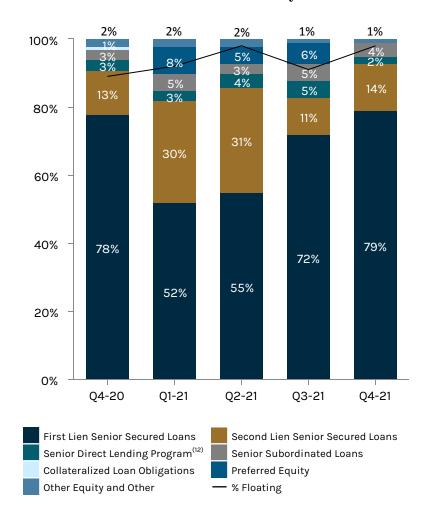


Portfolio Activity

Gross Commitments by Asset Class

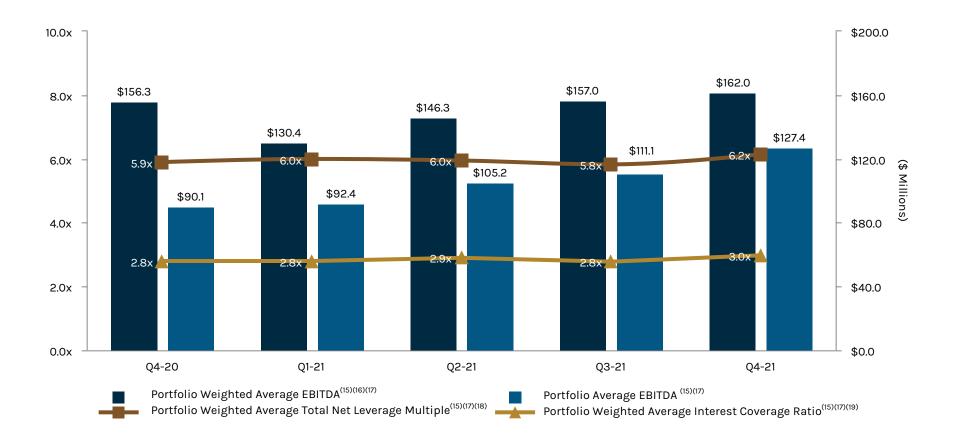


Exits of Commitments by Asset Class





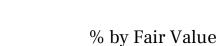
Portfolio Company EBITDA and Credit Statistics



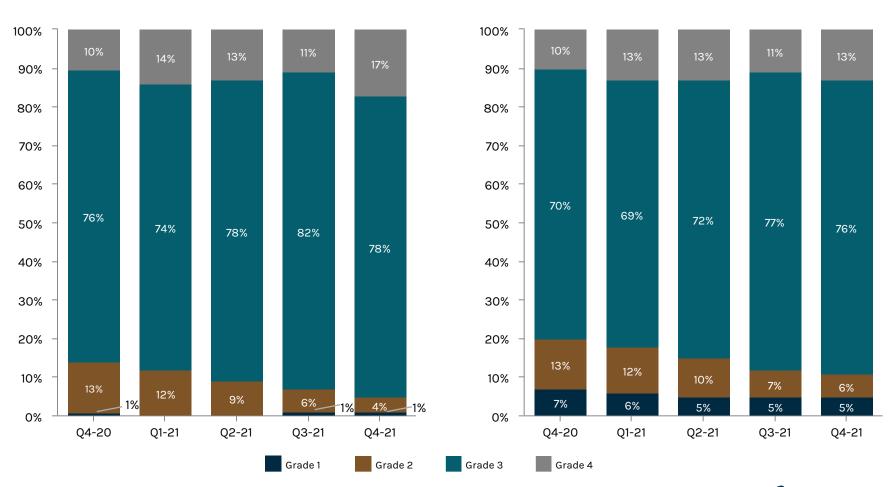
^{*} For the portfolio companies included in the portfolio weighted average EBITDA data above (subject to additional exclusions described in the following sentence), the weighted average EBITDA growth rate as of Q4-21 was approximately 16% on a comparable basis for the most recently reported LTM period versus prior year LTM period. In addition to those portfolio companies excluded as noted, this calculation excludes 44 companies where prior year comparable data was not available (20)



Portfolio By Grade⁽²¹⁾

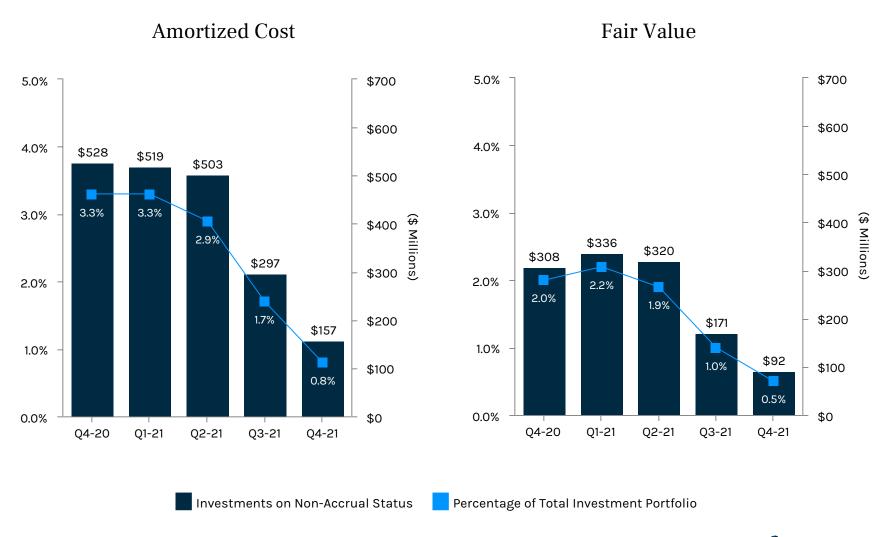


% by Number of Companies





Loans on Non-Accrual Status





Investment Activity from January 1, 2022 through February 2, 2022

Ares Capital made approximately \$607 million of new investment commitments

- 68% were in first lien senior secured loans, 31% were in other equity and 1% were in preferred equity
- 68% were floating rate, 2% were non-income producing, 1% were fixed rate and the remaining 29% was Ares Capital's equity investment in IHAM which generally pays a quarterly dividend
- Weighted average yield of debt and other income producing securities funded at amortized cost of 9.6%
- Weighted average yield on total investments funded at amortized cost was 9.3%

Ares Capital exited approximately \$956 million of investment commitments

- 89% were first lien senior secured loans, 8% were second lien senior secured loans, 2% were preferred equity and 1% were subordinated certificates of the SDLP
- 88% were floating rate, 11% were fixed rate and 1% were non-income producing
- Weighted average yield of debt and other income producing securities exited or repaid at amortized cost was 7.3%
- Weighted average yield on total investments exited or repaid at amortized cost was 7.2%
- Total net realized gains of approximately \$20 million
- Exits include approximately \$529 million of loans sold by Ares Capital to IHAM or certain vehicles managed by IHAM and net realized gains include approximately \$2 million of net realized losses recognized from these transactions



Backlog and Pipeline

- As of February 2, 2022, Ares Capital had a backlog and pipeline of approximately \$1.2 billion and \$125 million, respectively (22)
- The following is a breakdown of the backlog and pipeline by asset class and by industry

Asset Class Industry 5% 5% 4% 16% 6% 7% 41% 3% 76% 37% First Lien Senior Secured Loans (11) Software & Services Healthcare Services Second Lien Senior Secured Loans Preferred Equity Insurance Services Other Equity Commercial & Professional Services Food & Staples Retailing

Other

Debt Summary

			As of 9/	30/21									As o	f 12/31/21				
(dollar amounts in millions)	Aı	gregate incipal mount imitted/ anding ⁽²⁴⁾	Amo	cipal ount anding	Carry Valu Outsta De	e of inding		Amo	egate cipal ount nitted/ nding ⁽²⁴⁾	Principal Amount itstanding	(Outsta	rying ue of anding ebt	Weighted Average Stated Interest Rate ⁽²⁶⁾	Interest Rate		Maturity Date	
Secured Revolving Facilities	es ⁽²³⁾ :																	
Revolving Credit Facility	\$	4,232	\$	874	\$	874		\$	4,232	\$ 1,507	′ \$	\$	1,507	1.996 %	LIBOR + 1.75%	(27)	March 2026	(27)
Revolving Funding Facility		1,525		763		763			1,525	762			762	2.001 %	LIBOR + 1.90%	(28)	December 2026	(28)
SMBC Funding Facility		800		_		_			800	401			401	2.099 %	LIBOR + 1.75%	(29)	May 2026	(29)
BNP Funding Facility		300		_		_			300	_			_	0.788 %	LIBOR + 1.80%	(30)	June 2025	(30)
Subtotal		6,857		1,637		1,637			6,857	2,670)		2,670	2.013 %				
Unsecured Notes Payable*																		
2022 Notes		600		600		600	(25)		_	_			_					
2022 Convertible Notes		388		388		386	(25)		388	388			366	3.750 %			February 2022	
2023 Notes		750		750		748	(25)		750	750			740	3.500 %			February 2023	
2024 Convertible Notes		403		403		334	(25)		403	403			393	4.625 %			March 2024	
2024 Notes		900		900		897	(25)		900	900			897	4.200 %			June 2024	
March 2025 Notes		600		600		596	(25)		600	600			330	4.250 %			March 2025	
July 2025 Notes		1,250		1,250		1,261	(25)		1,250	1,250			1,260	3.250 %			July 2025	
January 2026 Notes		1,150		1,150		1,142	(25)		1,150	1,150			1,143	3.875 %			January 2026	
July 2026 Notes		1,000		1,000		988	(25)		1,000	1,000			988	2.150 %			July 2026	
2028 Notes		1,250		1,250		1,246	(25)		1,250	1,250			1,246	2.875 %			June 2028	
2031 Notes		_		_		_			700	700)		689 ⁽	3.200 %			November 2031	
Subtotal		8,291		8,291		8,258			8,391	8,391			8,350	3.429 %				
Total Debt	\$	15,148	\$	9,928	\$	9,895		\$	15,248	\$ 11,061		\$	11,020	3.087 %				

Floating and Fixed rate debt as of December 31, 2021

Debt (dollar amounts in millions)	cipal Amount utstanding	Weighted Average Stated Interest Rate ⁽²⁶⁾	Weighted Average Remaining Maturity** (in years)
Floating	\$ 2,670	2.01 %	4.60
Fixed	8,391	3.43 %	4.12
Total	\$ 11,061	3.09 %	4.20

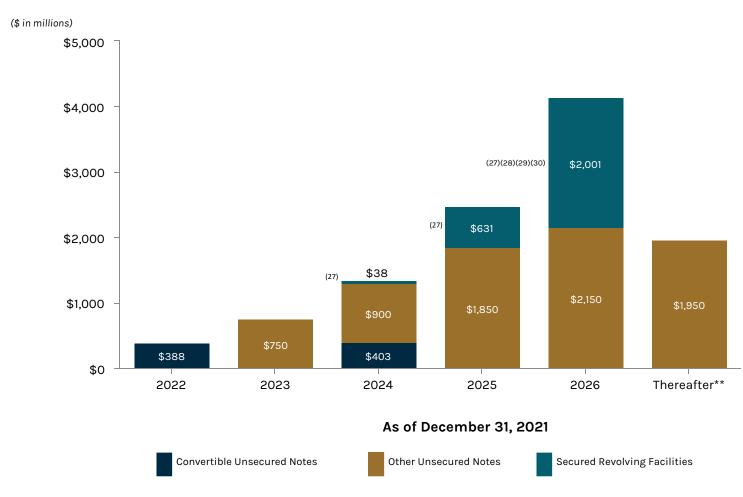
^{*} In January 2022, Ares Capital issued \$500 million aggregate principal amount of unsecured notes that mature in June 2027 and bear interest at a rate of 2.875% per year (the "2027 Notes")



^{**} Represents the weighted average remaining maturity of outstanding debt as of December 31, 2021

Debt Summary

Debt Maturities*

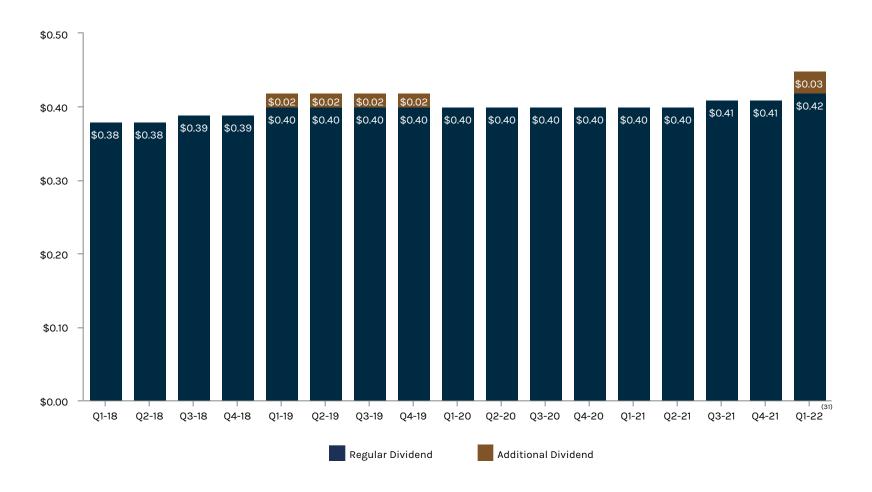


Represents the total aggregate principal amount outstanding due on the stated maturity date



^{**} Excludes the 2027 Notes issued in January 2022 totaling \$500 million in aggregate principal amount

Quarterly Dividends



• ARCC estimates that it will carry forward excess taxable income of approximately \$624 million⁽³²⁾ or \$1.30⁽³³⁾ per share from 2021 for distribution to stockholders in 2022



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Reconciliations of Core EPS

The following are reconciliations of basic and diluted net income per share computed in accordance with GAAP to basic and diluted core earnings per share:

	For the Three Months Ended										
	12/31/21		9/30/21		6/30/21		3/31/21		12/31/20		
Basic and Diluted Core EPS ⁽¹⁾	\$	0.58	\$	0.47	\$	0.53	\$	0.43	\$	0.54	
Net realized and unrealized gains		0.31		0.33		0.70		0.54		0.35	
Capital gains incentive fees attributable to net realized and unrealized gains and losses		(0.06)		(0.07)		(0.14)		(0.10)		_	
Income tax expense related to net realized gains and losses		_		_		_		_		_	
Basic and Diluted GAAP net income per share	\$	0.83	\$	0.73	\$	1.09	\$	0.87	\$	0.89	

	For the Years Ended					
	12/31/21			12/31/20		
Basic and Diluted Core EPS ⁽¹⁾	\$	2.02	\$	1.74		
Net realized and unrealized gains (losses)		1.85		(0.73)		
Capital gains incentive fees attributable to net realized and unrealized gains and losses		(0.36)		0.13		
Income tax expense related to net realized gains and losses		_		_		
Basic and Diluted GAAP net income per share	\$	3.51	\$	1.14		



Endnotes

- Basic and diluted Core EPS is a non-GAAP financial measure. Core EPS is the net per share increase (decrease) in stockholders' equity resulting from operations less net realized and unrealized gains and losses, any capital gains incentive fees attributable to such net realized and unrealized gains and losses, and any income taxes related to such net realized gains and losses. Basic and diluted GAAP net income (loss) per share is the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure. Ares Capital believes that Core EPS provides useful information to investors regarding financial performance because it is one method Ares Capital uses to measure its financial condition and results of operations. The presentation of this additional information is not meant to be considered in isolation or as a substitute for financial results prepared in accordance with GAAP. Reconciliations of basic and diluted Core EPS to the most directly comparable GAAP financial measure are set forth on slide 23 hereof.
- 2) Includes investment commitments to IHAM, a wholly-owned portfolio company of Ares Capital, or vehicles managed by IHAM. Q4-21 and Q2-21 also include investment commitments to IHAM or vehicles managed by IHAM of \$296 million and \$52 million, respectively.
- 3) Includes sales to IHAM or vehicles managed by IHAM. Q4-21, Q3-21, Q2-21, Q1-21 and Q4-20 include sales of loans to IHAM or vehicles managed by IHAM of \$1.4 billion, \$201 million, \$566 million, \$283 million and \$141 million, respectively. Q4-21 and Q4-20 also include investment commitments repaid by IHAM of \$108 million and \$78 million, respectively.
- The weighted average yield on debt and other income producing securities is computed as (a) annual stated interest rate or yield earned plus the net annual amortization of original issue discount and market discount or premium earned on accruing debt and other income producing securities (including the annualized amount of the dividend received by Ares Capital related to its equity investment in IHAM during the most recent quarter end), divided by (b) total accruing debt and other income producing securities at amortized cost or at fair value (including the amortized cost or fair value of Ares Capital's equity investment in IHAM as applicable), as applicable.
- 5) The weighted average yield on the total investment portfolio is computed as (a) annual stated interest rate or yield earned plus the net annual amortization of original issue discount and market discount or premium earned on accruing debt and other income producing securities (including the annualized amount of the dividend received by Ares Capital related to its equity investment in IHAM during the most recent quarter end), divided by (b) total investments at amortized cost or at fair value, as applicable.
- 6) Computed as total principal debt outstanding less available cash divided by stockholders' equity. Available cash excludes restricted cash as well as cash held for dividends payable and for uses specifically designated for paying interest and expenses on certain debt.
- 7) Computed as (a) the annual stated interest expense on our debt obligations divided by (b) total debt obligations at principal amount outstanding. Stated interest expense on debt excludes facility and other fees and the amortization of original issue discount or premium, market discounts and debt issuance costs.
- 8) Net interest and dividend margin represents the difference between interest and dividend income (including dividend income from IHAM) and interest and credit facility fees expense for the last twelve month period divided by average total investments at amortized cost during the same period.
- 9) Excludes realized and unrealized gains (losses), incentive fees attributable to net realized and unrealized gains (losses) and income tax expense, including excise taxes.
- 10) Includes portfolio companies for which there are outstanding commitments, but for which no amounts were funded at the end of the period.
- 11) First lien senior secured loans include certain loans that Ares Capital classifies as "unitranche" loans, which are loans that combine both senior and subordinated debt, generally in a first lien position. As of December 31, 2021, the total amortized cost and fair value of loans that Ares Capital classified as "unitranche" loans were \$5.2 billion and \$5.2 billion, respectively.
- Represents Ares Capital's portion of co-investments with Varagon Capital Partners and its clients in first lien senior secured loans, including certain loans that the SDLP classifies as "unitranche" loans, to U.S. middle-market companies. As of December 31, 2021, the Senior Direct Lending Program LLC's (the "SDLP") loan portfolio totaled approximately \$4.2 billion in aggregate principal amount and had loans to 19 different borrowers. As of December 31, 2021, the SDLP's largest loan to a single borrower was \$342 million in aggregate principal amount and the five largest loans to borrowers totaled \$1.5 billion in aggregate principal amount. As of December 31, 2021, the total principal amount of loans in the SDLP portfolio that the SDLP classified as "unitranche" loans was \$2.9 billion. The portfolio companies in the SDLP are in industries similar to companies in Ares Capital's portfolio. See Note 4 to Ares Capital's consolidated financial statements included in the annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2021 for information regarding the SDLP.

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- 13) As of December 31, 2021, excluding Ares Capital's investment in the subordinated certificates of the SDLP, 93% of the floating rate investments at fair value contained interest rate floor features.
- 14) Represents gross commitments or fundings less commitments or investments exited, respectively.
- The portfolio weighted average EBITDA and average EBITDA for the underlying borrowers includes information solely in respect of corporate investments in Ares Capital's portfolio and the weighted average total net leverage multiple and interest coverage ratio data includes information solely in respect of corporate portfolio companies in which Ares Capital has a debt investment (in each case, subject to the exclusions described in the following sentence). Excluded from the data above is information in respect of the following: (i) the SDLP (and the underlying borrowers in the SDLP), (ii) portfolio companies that do not report EBITDA, including IHAM, (iii) portfolio companies with negative or de minimis EBITDA, (iv) investment funds/vehicles, (v) discrete projects in the project finance/power generation sector, (vi) certain oil and gas companies, (vii) venture capital backed companies and (viii) commercial real estate finance companies. The portfolio weighted average EBITDA for the underlying borrowers in the SDLP was \$62.2 million, \$63.2 million, \$75.4 million, \$83.5 million and \$85.2 million as of 12/31/20, 3/31/21, 6/30/21, 9/30/21 and 12/31/21, respectively. The portfolio average EBITDA for the underlying borrowers in the SDLP was \$51.0 million, \$53.0 million, \$71.5 million and \$73.8 million as of 12/31/20, 3/31/21, 6/30/21, 9/30/21 and 12/31/21, respectively.
- 16) Weighted average EBITDA amounts are weighted based on the fair value of the portfolio company investments. EBITDA amounts are estimated from the most recent portfolio company financial statements, have not been independently verified by Ares Capital and may reflect a normalized or adjusted amount. Accordingly, Ares Capital makes no representation or warranty in respect of this information.
- 17) EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure. For a particular portfolio company, EBITDA is generally defined as net income before net interest expense, income tax expense, depreciation and amortization. EBITDA amounts are estimated from the most recent portfolio company financial statements, have not been independently verified by Ares Capital and may reflect a normalized or adjusted amount. Accordingly, Ares Capital makes no representation or warranty in respect of this information.
- Portfolio weighted average total net leverage multiples represent Ares Capital's last dollar of invested debt capital (net of cash) as a multiple of EBITDA. Portfolio weighted average total net leverage multiples for borrowers in the SDLP represent the SDLP's last dollar of invested debt capital (net of cash) as a multiple of EBITDA. The weighted average total net leverage multiple for the underlying borrowers in the SDLP was 6.2x, 6.2x, 5.8x, 5.8x and 6.0x as of 12/31/20, 3/31/21, 6/30/21, 9/30/21 and 12/31/21, respectively, which excludes certain portfolio companies with negative or de minimis EBITDA. Weighted average total net leverage multiples are weighted based on the fair value of the portfolio company investments. Portfolio company credit statistics for Ares Capital and the SDLP are derived from the most recently available portfolio company financial statements, have not been independently verified by Ares Capital and may reflect a normalized or adjusted amount. Accordingly, Ares Capital makes no representation or warranty in respect of this information.
- Portfolio weighted average interest coverage ratio represents the portfolio company's EBITDA as a multiple of cash interest expense. The weighted average interest coverage ratio for the underlying borrowers in the SDLP was 2.3x, 2.3x, 2.6x, 2.7x and 2.6x as of 12/31/20, 3/31/21, 6/30/21, 9/30/21 and 12/31/21, respectively, which excludes certain portfolio companies with negative or de minimis EBITDA. Weighted average interest coverage ratios are weighted based on the fair value of the portfolio company investments. Portfolio company credit statistics for Ares Capital and the SDLP are derived from the most recently available portfolio company financial statements, have not been independently verified by Ares Capital and may reflect a normalized or adjusted amount. Accordingly, Ares Capital makes no representation or warranty in respect of this information.
- 20) The EBITDA growth rate for each included portfolio company is calculated as the percentage change for the most recently reported fiscal year to date comparable periods and is weighted based on the fair value of the portfolio company investments to calculate the portfolio weighted average EBITDA growth rate. For a particular portfolio company, EBITDA is generally defined as net income before net interest expense, income tax expense, depreciation and amortization. EBITDA amounts used in the calculation are estimated from the most recent portfolio company financial statements, have not been independently verified by Ares Capital and may reflect a normalized or adjusted amount. Accordingly, Ares Capital makes no representation or warranty in respect of this information.



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- Based on our investment adviser's internal investment rating system scale from 1 to 4. Investments with a grade of 4 involve the least amount of risk to our initial cost basis and the trends and risk factors for these investments since origination or acquisition are generally favorable, which may include the performance of the portfolio company or a potential exit. Investments with a grade of 3 involve 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 as expected and the risk factors to our ability to ultimately recoup the cost of our investment are neutral to favorable. Investments with a grade of 2 indicate that the risk to our ability to recoup the initial cost basis of such investment has increased materially since origination or acquisition, including as a result of factors such as declining performance and non-compliance with debt covenants; however, payments are generally not more than 120 days past due. Investments with a grade of 1 indicate that the risk to our ability to recoup the initial cost basis of such investment has substantially increased since origination or acquisition and our investment adviser does not anticipate that we will recoup our initial cost basis and we may realize a substantial loss on our initial cost basis upon exit. All investments or acquired investments in new portfolio companies are initially assessed a grade of 3.
- 22) Investment backlog includes transactions approved by our investment adviser's investment committee and/or for which a formal mandate, letter of intent or a signed commitment has been issued, and therefore we believe are likely to close. Investment pipeline includes transactions where due diligence and analysis are in process, but no formal mandate, letter of intent or signed commitment has been issued. The consummation of any of the investments in this backlog and pipeline depends upon, among other things, one or more of the following: satisfactory completion of our due diligence investigation of the prospective portfolio company, our acceptance of the terms and structure of such investment and the execution and delivery of satisfactory transaction documentation. In addition, Ares Capital may sell all or a portion of these investments and certain of these investments may result in the repayment of existing investments. Ares Capital cannot assure you that we will make any of these investments or that we will sell all or any portion of these investments.
- 23) Requires periodic payments of interest and may require repayments of a portion of the outstanding principal once their respective reinvestment periods end but prior to the applicable stated maturity.
- 24) Subject to borrowing base and other restrictions. Represents total aggregate amount committed or outstanding, as applicable, under such instrument.
- 25) Represents the aggregate principal amount of the notes outstanding adjusted for the unaccreted discount or premium initially recorded at the time of issuance.
- 26) Effective stated rate as of December 31, 2021.
- The interest rate charged on the Revolving Credit Facility is based on LIBOR (or an alternate rate of interest for certain loans, commitments and/or other extensions of credit denominated in Sterling, Canadian Dollars, Euros and certain other foreign currencies) plus an applicable spread of either 1.75% or 1.875% or an "alternate base rate" (as defined in the agreements governing the Revolving Credit Facility) plus an applicable spread of either 0.75% or 0.875%, in each case, determined monthly based on the total amount of the borrowing base relative to the sum of (i) the greater of (a) the aggregate amount of revolving exposure and term loans outstanding under the Revolving Credit Facility and (b) 85% of the total commitments of the Revolving Credit Facility (or, if higher, the total revolving exposure) plus (ii) other debt, if any, secured by the same collateral as the Revolving Credit Facility. As of December 31, 2021, the interest rate in effect was LIBOR plus 1.75%. The Revolving Credit Facility consists of a \$874 million term loan tranche and a \$3,358 million revolving tranche. For \$824 million of the term loan tranche, the stated maturity date is March 31, 2026. For the remaining \$50 million of the term loan tranche, the stated maturity date are March 31, 2025 and March 30, 2025. For \$3,208 million of the revolving tranche, the end of the revolving period and the stated maturity date are March 30, 2024 and March 30, 2025, respectively. Subsequent to the end of the respective revolving periods and prior to the respective stated maturity dates, Ares Capital is required to repay the relevant outstanding principal amounts under both the term loan tranche and revolving tranche on a monthly basis in an amount equal to 1/12th of the outstanding principal amount at the end of the respective revolving period.



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- 28) The interest rate charged on the Revolving Funding Facility is based on LIBOR plus 1.90% per annum or a "base rate" (as defined in the agreements governing the Revolving Funding Facility) plus 1.00% per annum. As of December 31, 2021, the interest rate in effect was LIBOR plus 1.90%. The end of the reinvestment period and the stated maturity date for the Revolving Funding Facility are December 29, 2024 and December 29, 2026, respectively. Subsequent to the end of this reinvestment period and prior to the stated maturity date of December 29, 2026, any principal proceeds from sales and repayments of loan assets held by Ares Capital CP Funding LLC will be used to repay the aggregate principal amount outstanding.
- 29) The interest rate charged on the SMBC Funding Facility is based on an applicable spread of either 1.75% or 2.00% per annum over LIBOR or 0.75% or 1.00% per annum over a "base rate" (as defined in the agreements governing the SMBC Funding Facility), in each case, determined monthly based on the amount of the average borrowings outstanding under the SMBC Funding Facility. As of December 31, 2021, the interest rate in effect was LIBOR plus 2.00%. The end of the reinvestment period and the stated maturity date for the SMBC Funding Facility are May 28, 2024 and May 28, 2026, respectively. Subsequent to the end of this reinvestment period and prior to the stated maturity date of May 28, 2026, any principal proceeds from sales and repayments of loan assets held by our consolidated subsidiary, Ares Capital JB Funding LLC, will be used to repay the aggregate principal amount outstanding.
- 30) The interest rate charged on the BNP Funding Facility is based on LIBOR (subject to a floor of 0.00%), or a "base rate" (as defined in the agreements governing the BNP Funding Facility) plus a margin of (i) 1.80% during the reinvestment period and (ii) 2.30% following the reinvestment period. The end of the reinvestment period and the stated maturity date for the BNP Funding Facility are June 11, 2023 and June 11, 2025, respectively. Subsequent to the end of this reinvestment period and prior to the stated maturity date of June 11, 2025, any principal proceeds from sales and repayments of loan assets held by our consolidated subsidiary, ARCC FB Funding LLC will be used to repay the aggregate principal amount outstanding.
- 31) Declared. In addition to the first quarter 2022 regular dividend of \$0.42 per share to be paid on March 31, 2022 to stockholders of record on March 15, 2022, Ares Capital declared additional dividends totaling \$0.12 per share for 2022, to be distributed in four consecutive quarterly payments of \$0.03 per share. The first additional dividend of \$0.03 per share is to be paid on March 31, 2022 to stockholders of record on March 15, 2022.
- The amount of excess 2021 U.S. federal taxable income available for carry over into 2022 is only an estimate based on estimated 2021 U.S. federal taxable income. The calculation of estimated 2021 U.S. federal taxable income includes a number of estimated inputs, including information received from third parties, and as a result, actual 2021 U.S. federal taxable income will not be finally determined until Ares Capital's 2021 tax return is filed in 2022. Consequently, both 2021 U.S. federal taxable income and the amount of excess U.S. federal taxable income available for carry over into 2021 are subject to change. See Note 11 to Ares Capital's consolidated financial statements included in the annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2021 for more information.
- 33) The estimated excess taxable income carried forward from 2021 for distribution to stockholders in 2022 is based on the approximately 479 million shares outstanding as of February 2, 2022.



