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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):  
November 2, 2017

CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

1-33796  
(Commission  
File Number)

26-0630461  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

520 Madison Avenue, 32nd Fl  
New York, New York  
(Address of principal executive offices)

10022  
(Zip Code)

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

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

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

## Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On November 2, 2017, the registrant issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2017. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

On November 2, 2017, the registrant posted supplemental financial information on the Investor Relations section of its website ([www.chimerareit.com](http://www.chimerareit.com)). A copy of the supplemental financial information is furnished as Exhibit 99.2 to this report and incorporated herein by reference.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 [Press Release, dated November 2, 2017, issued by Chimera Investment Corporation](#)

99.2 [Supplemental Financial Information for the quarter ended September 30, 2017](#)

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Chimera Investment Corporation

By: /s/ Rob Colligan

Name: Rob Colligan

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 2, 2017



## PRESS RELEASE

NYSE: CIM

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION RELEASES 3RD QUARTER 2017 EARNINGS**

- GAAP EARNINGS OF \$0.69 PER COMMON SHARE
- CORE EARNINGS<sup>(1)</sup> OF \$0.62 PER COMMON SHARE
- GAAP BOOK VALUE OF \$16.92 PER COMMON SHARE
- ADDED \$783 MILLION OF RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE LOANS

NEW YORK - (BUSINESS WIRE) - Chimera Investment Corporation (NYSE:CIM) today announced its financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2017. The Company's third quarter 2017 GAAP net income was \$129.8 million or \$0.69 per common share. Core earnings<sup>(1)</sup> for the third quarter of 2017 was \$116.3 million or \$0.62 per common share. Economic return on book value for the quarter was 5.3%.<sup>(2)</sup> During the quarter the Company purchased approximately \$783 million in loans which brings loan purchases for the year to \$5.8 billion. The Company sponsored one mortgage loan securitization for \$783 million and incurred \$3.4 million in securitization deal related expenses.

"Chimera's seasoned mortgage loan portfolio and securitizations continue to grow" said Matthew Lambiase, Chimera's CEO and President. "We believe that residential mortgage credit offers some of the best risk adjusted returns in the fixed income market and the further development of this portfolio is central to our strategy of generating a steady, attractive stream of dividend income for our shareholders."

(1) Core earnings is a non-GAAP measure. See additional discussion on page 5.

(2) Economic return on book value is based on the change in GAAP book value per common share for the quarter plus the quarterly dividend declared per common share.

Note: All per common share amounts presented on a diluted basis.

## Other Information

Chimera Investment Corporation is a publicly traded real estate investment trust, or REIT, that is primarily engaged in real estate finance. We were incorporated in Maryland on June 1, 2007 and commenced operations on November 21, 2007. We invest, either directly or indirectly through our subsidiaries, in RMBS, residential mortgage loans, Agency CMBS, commercial mortgage loans, real estate-related securities and various other asset classes. We have elected and believe that we are organized and have operated in a manner that enables us to be taxed as a REIT under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the Code.

Please visit [www.chimerareit.com](http://www.chimerareit.com) and click on Investor Relations for additional information about us.

### CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

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

	September 30, 2017	December 31, 2016
<b>Assets:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 38,055	\$ 177,714
Non-Agency RMBS, at fair value	2,950,348	3,330,063
Agency MBS, at fair value	4,354,872	4,167,754
Loans held for investment, at fair value	13,538,052	8,753,653
Receivable for investment sold	11,235	—
Accrued interest receivable	99,421	79,697
Other assets	172,876	166,350
Derivatives, at fair value, net	22,525	9,677
<b>Total assets <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>\$ 21,187,384</b>	<b>\$ 16,684,908</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Repurchase agreements (\$8.2 billion and \$7.0 billion, pledged as collateral, respectively)	\$ 6,709,821	\$ 5,600,903
Securitized debt, collateralized by Non-Agency RMBS (\$1.6 billion and \$1.8 billion pledged as collateral, respectively)	233,113	334,124
Securitized debt at fair value, collateralized by loans held for investment (\$13.0 billion and \$8.8 billion pledged as collateral, respectively)	9,683,062	6,941,097
Payable for investments purchased	733,142	520,532
Accrued interest payable	64,280	48,670
Dividends payable	95,000	97,005
Accounts payable and other liabilities	21,331	16,694
Derivatives, at fair value	1,204	2,350
<b>Total liabilities <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>\$ 17,540,953</b>	<b>\$ 13,561,375</b>
<b>Stockholders' Equity:</b>		
Preferred Stock, par value of \$0.01 per share, 100,000,000 shares authorized:		
8.00% Series A cumulative redeemable: 5,800,000 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$145,000 liquidation preference)	\$ 58	\$ 58
8.00% Series B cumulative redeemable: 13,000,000 and 0 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$325,000 liquidation preference)	130	—
Common stock: par value \$0.01 per share; 300,000,000 shares authorized, 187,781,000 and 187,739,634 shares issued and outstanding, respectively	1,878	1,877
Additional paid-in-capital	3,825,832	3,508,779
Accumulated other comprehensive income	813,118	718,106
Cumulative earnings	2,860,244	2,443,184
Cumulative distributions to stockholders	(3,854,829)	(3,548,471)
<b>Total stockholders' equity</b>	<b>\$ 3,646,431</b>	<b>\$ 3,123,533</b>
<b>Total liabilities and stockholders' equity</b>	<b>\$ 21,187,384</b>	<b>\$ 16,684,908</b>

(1) The Company's consolidated statements of financial condition include assets of consolidated variable interest entities ("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 September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, total assets of consolidated VIEs were \$14,846,980 and \$10,761,954, respectively, and total liabilities of consolidated VIEs were \$9,954,437 and \$7,302,905, respectively.

## Net Income

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

(unaudited)

	For the Quarters Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2016	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2016
<b>Net interest income:</b>				
Interest income <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 296,813	\$ 250,953	\$ 836,801	\$ 673,246
Interest expense <sup>(2)</sup>	140,358	94,911	388,544	241,120
Net interest income	156,455	156,042	448,257	432,126
<b>Other-than-temporary impairments:</b>				
Total other-than-temporary impairment losses	(784)	(993)	(4,245)	(8,555)
Portion of loss recognized in other comprehensive income	(10,684)	(10,581)	(39,431)	(34,652)
Net other-than-temporary credit impairment losses	(11,468)	(11,574)	(43,676)	(43,207)
<b>Other investment gains (losses):</b>				
Net unrealized gains (losses) on derivatives	9,204	27,628	19,902	(51,382)
Realized gains (losses) on terminations of interest rate swaps	—	—	(16,143)	(60,616)
Net realized gains (losses) on derivatives	(7,841)	(14,268)	(28,680)	(58,934)
<b>Net gains (losses) on derivatives</b>	<b>1,363</b>	<b>13,360</b>	<b>(24,921)</b>	<b>(170,932)</b>
Net unrealized gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value	19,042	32,999	159,047	80,217
Net realized gains (losses) on sales of investments	1	3,079	9,709	7,035
Gains (losses) on extinguishment of debt	(1)	(45)	(48,016)	(1,811)
Total other gains (losses)	20,405	49,393	95,819	(85,491)
<b>Other income:</b>				
Other income	—	—	—	95,000
Total other income	—	—	—	95,000
<b>Other expenses:</b>				
Compensation and benefits	7,533	6,911	22,759	19,087
General and administrative expenses	4,537	4,332	13,162	13,073
Servicing fees	10,715	9,788	31,193	23,139
Deal expenses	3,357	—	16,054	13,022
Total other expenses	26,142	21,031	83,168	68,321
<b>Income (loss) before income taxes</b>	<b>139,250</b>	<b>172,830</b>	<b>417,232</b>	<b>330,107</b>
Income taxes	18	13	172	65
<b>Net income (loss)</b>	<b>\$ 139,232</b>	<b>\$ 172,817</b>	<b>\$ 417,060</b>	<b>\$ 330,042</b>
<b>Dividend on preferred stock</b>	<b>9,400</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>24,083</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Net income (loss) available to common shareholders</b>	<b>\$ 129,832</b>	<b>\$ 172,817</b>	<b>\$ 392,977</b>	<b>\$ 330,042</b>
<b>Net income (loss) per share available to common shareholders:</b>				
Basic	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.92	\$ 2.09	\$ 1.76
Diluted	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.92	\$ 2.09	\$ 1.76
<b>Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:</b>				
Basic	187,779,794	187,729,765	187,773,715	187,727,667
Diluted	188,192,111	187,919,792	188,176,757	187,917,694
<b>Dividends declared per share of common stock</b>	<b>\$ 0.50</b>	<b>\$ 0.48</b>	<b>\$ 1.50</b>	<b>\$ 1.94</b>

(1) Includes interest income of consolidated VIEs of \$241,195 and \$195,488 for the quarters ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively and interest income of consolidated VIEs of \$668,621 and \$488,353 for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016 respectively.

(2) Includes interest expense of consolidated VIEs of \$101,856 and \$70,715 for the quarters ended September 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively and interest expense of consolidated VIEs of \$290,264 and \$168,738 for the nine months ended September 30, 2017 and 2016 respectively.

**CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)**

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

(Unaudited)

	<b>For the Quarters Ended</b>		<b>For the Nine Months Ended</b>	
	<b>September 30, 2017</b>	<b>September 30, 2016</b>	<b>September 30, 2017</b>	<b>September 30, 2016</b>
<b>Comprehensive income (loss):</b>				
Net income (loss)	\$ 139,232	\$ 172,817	\$ 417,060	\$ 330,042
<b>Other comprehensive income:</b>				
Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities, net	21,370	(18,364)	59,114	94,059
Reclassification adjustment for net losses included in net income for other-than-temporary credit impairment losses	11,468	11,574	43,676	43,207
Reclassification adjustment for net realized losses (gains) included in net income	(1)	(2,680)	(7,778)	(13,354)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	32,837	(9,470)	95,012	123,912
<b>Comprehensive income (loss) before preferred stock dividends</b>	<b>\$ 172,069</b>	<b>\$ 163,347</b>	<b>\$ 512,072</b>	<b>\$ 453,954</b>
Dividends on preferred stock	\$ 9,400	\$ —	\$ 24,083	\$ —
<b>Comprehensive income (loss) available to common stock shareholders</b>	<b>\$ 162,669</b>	<b>\$ 163,347</b>	<b>\$ 487,989</b>	<b>\$ 453,954</b>

## Core earnings

Core earnings is a non-GAAP measure and is defined as GAAP net income excluding unrealized gains on the aggregate portfolio, impairment losses, realized gains on sales of investments, realized gains or losses on futures, realized gains or losses on swap terminations, gain on deconsolidation, extinguishment of debt and certain other non-recurring gains or losses. As defined, core earnings include interest income and expense as well as realized losses on interest rate swaps used to hedge interest rate risk. Management believes that the presentation of core earnings is useful to investors because it can provide a useful measure of comparability to our other REIT peers, but has important limitations. We believe core earnings as described above helps evaluate our financial performance without the impact of certain transactions but is of limited usefulness as an analytical tool. Therefore, core earnings should not be viewed in isolation and is not a substitute for net income or net income per basic share computed in accordance with GAAP.

The following table provides GAAP measures of net income and net income per basic share available to common stockholders for the periods presented and details with respect to reconciling the line items to core earnings and related per average basic common share amounts:

	For the Quarters Ended				
	September 30, 2017	June 30, 2017	March 31, 2017	December 31, 2016	September 30, 2016
	(dollars in thousands, except per share data)				
<b>GAAP Net income available to common stockholders</b>	<b>\$ 129,832</b>	<b>\$ 105,617</b>	<b>\$ 157,524</b>	<b>\$ 219,454</b>	<b>\$ 172,817</b>
Adjustments:					
Net other-than-temporary credit impairment losses	11,468	13,509	18,701	14,780	11,574
Net unrealized (gains) losses on derivatives	(9,204)	(5,802)	(4,896)	(101,475)	(27,628)
Net unrealized (gains) losses on financial instruments at fair value	(19,042)	(67,762)	(72,243)	20,664	(32,999)
Net realized (gains) losses on sales of investments	(1)	(4,541)	(5,167)	(11,121)	(3,079)
(Gains) losses on extinguishment of debt	1	48,014	—	(1,334)	45
Realized (gains) losses on terminations of interest rate swaps	—	16,143	—	—	—
Net realized (gains) losses on Futures <sup>(1)</sup>	3,267	6,914	2,084	(19,628)	7,823
<b>Core Earnings</b>	<b>\$ 116,321</b>	<b>\$ 112,092</b>	<b>\$ 96,003</b>	<b>\$ 121,340</b>	<b>\$ 128,553</b>
GAAP net income per basic common share	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.84	\$ 1.17	\$ 0.92
Core earnings per basic common share <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0.62	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.51	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.68

(1) Included in net realized gains (losses) on derivatives in the Consolidated Statements of Operations.

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



The following tables provide a summary of the Company's MBS portfolio at September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016.

September 30, 2017						
	Principal or Notional Value at Period-End (dollars in thousands)	Weighted Average Amortized Cost Basis	Weighted Average Fair Value	Weighted Average Coupon	Weighted Average Yield at Period-End <sup>(1)</sup>	
Non-Agency RMBS						
Senior	\$ 2,821,535	\$ 54.54	\$ 81.68	4.4%	16.7%	
Senior, interest-only	4,948,265	5.42	4.30	1.4%	7.8%	
Subordinated	531,526	66.62	79.30	4.1%	9.2%	
Subordinated, interest-only	256,286	5.06	4.52	1.0%	8.4%	
Agency MBS						
Residential pass-through	2,316,838	105.54	104.80	3.8%	2.9%	
Commercial pass-through	1,774,802	102.26	102.09	3.6%	3.2%	
Interest-only	3,176,110	3.82	3.61	0.7%	3.5%	
December 31, 2016						
	Principal or Notional Value at Period-End (dollars in thousands)	Weighted Average Amortized Cost Basis	Weighted Average Fair Value	Weighted Average Coupon	Weighted Average Yield at Period-End <sup>(1)</sup>	
Non-Agency RMBS						
Senior	\$ 3,190,947	\$ 55.76	\$ 78.69	4.3%	15.5%	
Senior, interest-only	5,648,339	5.18	4.49	1.5%	11.7%	
Subordinated	673,259	70.83	82.21	3.8%	9.2%	
Subordinated, interest-only	266,927	5.20	4.50	1.1%	13.5%	
Agency MBS						
Residential pass-through	2,594,570	105.78	104.29	3.9%	3.0%	
Commercial pass-through	1,331,543	102.64	98.91	3.6%	2.9%	
Interest-only	3,356,491	4.53	4.31	0.8%	3.5%	

(1) Bond Equivalent Yield at period end.

At September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016, the repurchase agreements collateralized by MBS had the following remaining maturities.

	September 30, 2017		December 31, 2016	
	(dollars in thousands)			
Overnight	\$	—	\$	—
1 to 29 days		3,777,160		2,947,604
30 to 59 days		1,591,370		958,956
60 to 89 days		330,186		407,625
90 to 119 days		28,798		559,533
Greater than or equal to 120 days		982,307		727,185
Total	\$	6,709,821	\$	5,600,903

The following table summarizes certain characteristics of our portfolio at September 30, 2017 and December 31, 2016.

	For the Quarter Ended		For the Year Ended	
	September 30, 2017		December 31, 2016	
Interest earning assets at period-end <sup>(1)</sup>	\$	20,843,272	\$	16,251,470
Interest bearing liabilities at period-end	\$	16,625,996	\$	12,876,124
GAAP Leverage at period-end		4.6:1		4.1:1
GAAP Leverage at period-end (recourse)		1.8:1		1.8:1
Portfolio Composition, at amortized cost				
Non-Agency RMBS		6.2%		9.0%
Senior		2.9%		3.9%
Senior, interest only		1.4%		1.9%
Subordinated		1.8%		3.1%
Subordinated, interest only		0.1%		0.1%
RMBS transferred to consolidated VIEs		4.9%		7.6%
Agency MBS		22.2%		27.7%
Residential		12.4%		17.8%
Commercial		9.2%		8.9%
Interest-only		0.6%		1.0%
Loans held for investment		66.7%		55.7%
Fixed-rate percentage of portfolio		92.0%		88.4%
Adjustable-rate percentage of portfolio		8.0%		11.6%
Annualized yield on average interest earning assets for the periods ended		6.3%		6.4%
Annualized cost of funds on average borrowed funds for the periods ended <sup>(2)</sup>		3.6%		3.0%

(1) Excludes cash and cash equivalents.

(2) Includes the effect of realized losses on interest rate swaps.

### *Economic Net Interest Income*

Our “Economic net interest income” is a non-GAAP financial measure, that equals interest income, less interest expense and realized losses on our interest rate swaps. Realized losses on our interest rate swaps are the periodic net settlement payments made or received. For the purpose of computing economic net interest income and ratios relating to cost of funds measures throughout this section, interest expense includes net payments on our interest rate swaps, which is presented as a part of Realized gains (losses) on derivatives in our Consolidated Statements of Operations and Comprehensive Income. Interest rate swaps are used to manage the increase in interest paid on repurchase agreements in a rising rate environment. Presenting the net contractual interest payments on interest rate swaps with the interest paid on interest-bearing liabilities reflects our total contractual interest payments. We believe this presentation is useful to investors because it depicts the economic value of our investment strategy by showing actual interest expense and net interest income. Where indicated, interest expense, including interest payments on interest rate swaps, is referred to as economic interest expense. Where indicated, net interest income reflecting interest payments on interest rate swaps, is referred to as economic net interest income.

The following table reconciles the GAAP and non-GAAP measurements reflected in the Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

	GAAP Interest Income	GAAP Interest Expense	Net Realized Losses on Interest Rate Swaps	Economic Interest Expense	GAAP Net Interest Income	Net Realized Losses on Interest Rate Swaps	Other <sup>(1)</sup>	Economic Net Interest Income
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2017	\$ 296,813	\$ 140,358	\$ 3,489	\$ 143,847	\$ 156,455	\$ (3,489)	\$ (167)	\$ 152,799
For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2017	\$ 288,644	\$ 137,955	\$ 3,486	\$ 141,441	\$ 150,689	\$ (3,486)	\$ (350)	\$ 146,853
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2017	\$ 251,344	\$ 110,231	\$ 4,106	\$ 114,337	\$ 141,113	\$ (4,106)	\$ (519)	\$ 136,488
For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2016	\$ 260,823	\$ 106,737	\$ 4,151	\$ 110,888	\$ 154,086	\$ (4,151)	\$ 40	\$ 149,975
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2016	\$ 250,953	\$ 94,911	\$ 4,595	\$ 99,506	\$ 156,042	\$ (4,595)	\$ (105)	\$ 151,342

(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					
	September 30, 2017			September 30, 2016		
	(dollars in thousands)			(dollars in thousands)		
	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/Cost	Average Balance	Interest	Average Yield/Cost
<b>Assets:</b>						
<b>Interest-earning assets <sup>(1)</sup>:</b>						
Agency MBS	\$ 3,733,640	\$ 24,236	2.6%	\$ 3,735,142	\$ 29,482	3.2%
Non-Agency RMBS	1,258,634	28,590	9.1%	1,404,995	25,879	7.4%
Non-Agency RMBS transferred to consolidated VIEs	1,000,912	56,388	22.5%	1,267,633	61,272	19.3%
Residential mortgage loans held for investment	12,959,595	187,432	5.8%	8,974,781	134,215	6.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 18,952,781</b>	<b>\$ 296,646</b>	<b>6.3%</b>	<b>\$ 15,382,551</b>	<b>\$ 250,848</b>	<b>6.5%</b>
<b>Liabilities and stockholders' equity:</b>						
<b>Interest-bearing liabilities:</b>						
Repurchase agreements collateralized by:						
Agency MBS <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 3,114,689	\$ 14,211	1.8%	\$ 3,407,242	\$ 11,606	1.4%
Non-Agency RMBS	706,941	5,257	3.0%	831,412	5,700	2.7%
Re-Remic repurchase agreements	443,029	3,679	3.3%	660,303	4,901	3.0%
RMBS from loan securitizations	2,285,232	18,843	3.3%	970,425	6,584	2.7%
Securitized debt, collateralized by Non-Agency RMBS	248,989	4,416	7.1%	402,657	5,182	5.1%
Securitized debt, collateralized by loans	9,399,125	97,441	4.1%	7,313,626	65,533	3.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 16,198,005</b>	<b>\$ 143,847</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>\$ 13,585,665</b>	<b>\$ 99,506</b>	<b>2.9%</b>
<b>Economic net interest income/net interest rate spread</b>		<b>\$ 152,799</b>	<b>2.7%</b>		<b>\$ 151,342</b>	<b>3.6%</b>
<b>Net interest-earning assets/net interest margin</b>	<b>\$ 2,754,776</b>		<b>3.2%</b>	<b>\$ 1,796,886</b>		<b>3.9%</b>
<b>Ratio of interest-earning assets to interest bearing liabilities</b>		<b>1.17</b>			<b>1.13</b>	

(1) Interest-earning assets at amortized cost

(2) Interest includes cash paid on swaps

The table below shows our Net Income, Economic Net Interest Income and Core Earnings, each as a percentage of average 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 Company's beginning and ending equity balance for the period reported. Economic Net Interest Income is a non-GAAP financial measure, that equals interest income, less interest expense and realized losses on our interest rate swaps. Core Earnings is a non-GAAP measure as defined in previous section.

	Return on Average Equity	Economic Net Interest Income/Average Equity *	Core Earnings/Average Equity
	(Ratios have been annualized)		
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2017	15.42%	16.92%	12.88%
For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2017	12.98%	16.57%	12.65%
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2017	19.63%	16.46%	11.57%
For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2016	28.82%	19.48%	15.76%
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2016	23.04%	20.18%	17.14%

\* Includes effect of realized losses on interest rate swaps.

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

Accretable Discount (Net of Premiums)	For the Quarters Ended				
	September 30, 2017	June 30, 2017	March 31, 2017	December 31, 2016	September 30, 2016
	(dollars in thousands)				
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 627,724	\$ 648,659	\$ 683,648	\$ 733,060	\$ 769,764
Accretion of discount	(43,502)	(42,625)	(43,715)	(44,427)	(44,455)
Purchases	1,723	(108)	(3,642)	(33,987)	8,959
Sales and deconsolidation	5,792	212	(7,303)	(2,138)	(14,386)
Transfers from/(to) credit reserve, net	31,245	21,586	19,671	31,140	13,178
Balance, end of period	\$ 622,982	\$ 627,724	\$ 648,659	\$ 683,648	\$ 733,060

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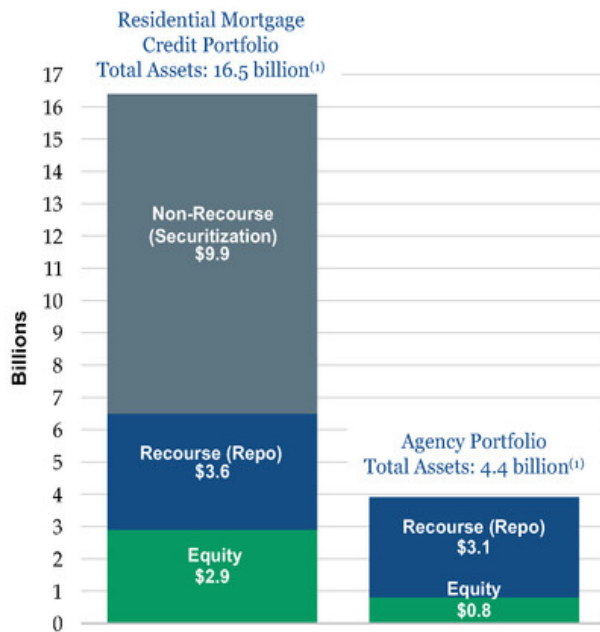
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# PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION

79% of Chimera's equity capital is allocated to mortgage credit



All data as of September 30, 2017

(1) Financing excludes unsettled trades.

(2) Includes the interest incurred on interest rate swaps.

## Net Investment Analysis

	Residential Mortgage Credit Portfolio	Agency Portfolio	Total Portfolio
Gross Asset Yield:	7.2%	2.6%	6.3%
Financing Cost <sup>(2)</sup> :	4.0%	1.8%	3.6%
Net Interest Spread:	3.2%	0.8%	2.7%
Net Interest Margin:	3.8%	1.1%	3.2%

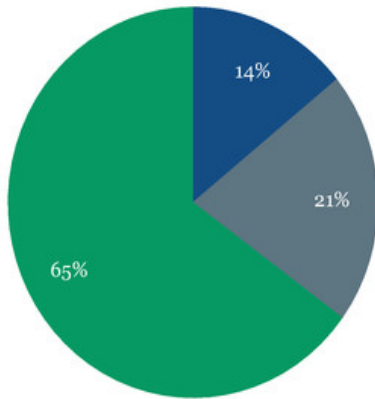
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# GAAP ASSET ALLOCATION<sup>(1)</sup>

*Chimera added \$5.8 billion in residential mortgage loans through three quarters in 2017*

September 30, 2017

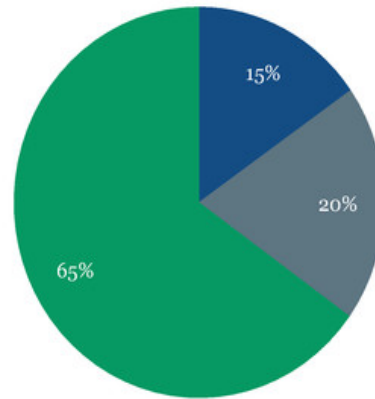


■ Non-Agency MBS   ■ Agency MBS  
■ Loan Portfolio

**Total Portfolio: \$20.8 billion**

(1) Based on fair value.

June 30, 2017



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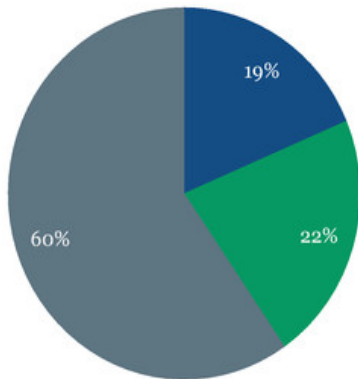
**Total Portfolio: \$20.4 billion**

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# GAAP FINANCING SOURCES

Total Leverage<sup>(1)</sup>: 4.6:1  
 Recourse Leverage<sup>(1)</sup>: 1.8:1

September 30, 2017



- Agency Repurchase Agreements, RMBS
- Non-Agency Repurchase Agreements, RMBS
- Non-Recourse Debt, Securitized RMBS and Loans (2)

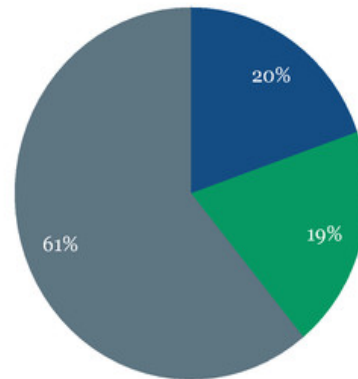
Total Financing: \$16.6 Billion

- (1) Leverage ratios as of September 30, 2017  
 (2) Consists of tranches of RMBS and loan securitizations sold to third parties.

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June 30, 2017



- Agency Repurchase Agreements, RMBS
- Non-Agency Repurchase Agreements, RMBS
- Non-Recourse Debt, Securitized RMBS and Loans (2)

Total Financing: \$16.0 Billion



# CONSOLIDATED LOAN SECURITIZATIONS

(\$ in thousands)

Vintage	Deal	At Issuance / Acquisition			September 30, 2017		
		Total Original Face	Total of Tranches Sold	Total of Tranches Retained	Total Remaining Face	Remaining Face of Tranches Sold	Remaining Face of Tranches Retained
2017	CIM 2017-6	\$782,725	\$626,179	\$156,546	\$775,269	\$617,903	\$157,366
2017	CIM 2017-5	377,034	75,407	301,627	364,191	62,566	301,625
2017	CIM 2017-4	830,510	710,003	120,507	739,350	621,172	118,178
2017	CIM 2017-3	2,434,640	2,113,267	321,373	2,242,880	1,920,238	322,642
2017	CIM 2017-2	331,440	248,580	82,860	309,491	226,354	83,137
2017	CIM 2017-1	526,267	368,387	157,880	479,924	322,231	157,693
2016	CIM 2016-FRE1	185,811	115,165	70,646	168,677	97,652	71,025
2016	CIM 2016-5 <sup>(1)</sup>	66,171	10,000	56,171	47,021	7,341	39,680
2016	CIM 2016-4 <sup>(1)</sup>	601,733	493,420	108,313	528,484	416,722	111,762
2016	CIM 2016-3	1,746,084	1,478,933	267,151	1,431,654	1,163,896	267,758
2016	CIM 2016-2	1,762,177	1,492,563	269,614	1,444,912	1,173,865	271,047
2016	CIM 2016-1	1,499,341	1,266,898	232,443	1,219,182	987,934	231,248
2015	CIM 2015-4AG <sup>(2)</sup>	750,647	425,000	325,647	546,592	356,499	190,093
2015	CIM 2015-3AG <sup>(3)</sup>	698,812	520,935	177,877	482,340	325,048	157,292
2015	CIM 2015-2AG <sup>(4)</sup>	330,293	276,998	53,295	219,776	172,736	47,040
2015	CIM 2015-1EC	268,731	214,985	53,746	205,034	148,331	56,703
2014	CSMC 2014-CIM1 <sup>(5)</sup>	333,865	268,087	65,778	199,891	140,379	59,512
2013	SLFMT 2013-2A	1,137,308	1,134,464	2,844	731,940	450,839	281,101
2013	SLFMT 2013-3A	500,390	499,139	1,251	365,221	212,836	152,385
2012	CSMC 2012-CIM1	741,939	707,810	34,129	59,167	29,881	29,286
2012	CSMC 2012-CIM2	425,091	404,261	20,830	50,670	31,974	18,696
2012	CSMC 2012-CIM3	329,886	305,804	24,082	121,836	102,727	19,109
2008	PHHMC 2008-CIM1	619,710	549,142	70,568	46,523	33,867	12,656
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$17,280,605</b>	<b>\$14,305,427</b>	<b>\$2,975,178</b>	<b>\$12,780,025</b>	<b>\$9,622,991</b>	<b>\$3,157,034</b>
		% of origination remaining			74%		

- (1) Contains collateral from Springleaf 2013-1A Trust.
- (2) Contains collateral from Springleaf 2012-3A Trust.
- (3) Contains collateral from Springleaf 2012-2A Trust.
- (4) Contains collateral from Springleaf 2012-1A Trust.
- (5) Contains collateral from Springleaf 2011-1A Trust.

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# CONSOLIDATED RMBS SECURITIZATIONS

- Re-Remic subordinate bonds have had slow prepayments considering the low interest rate environment
- Chimera expects the subordinate bond portfolio to have meaningful impact on earnings for the foreseeable future

(\$ in thousands)

Vintage	Deal	At Issuance / Acquisition			September 30, 2017		
		Total Original Face	Total of Tranches Sold	Total of Tranches Retained	Total Remaining Face	Remaining Face of Tranches Sold	Remaining Face of Tranches Retained
2014	CSMC 2014-4R <sup>(1)</sup>	367,271	—	367,271	218,061	—	218,061
2010	CSMC 2010-1R	1,730,581	691,630	1,038,951	524,457	3,870	520,587
2010	CSMC 2010-11R	566,571	338,809	227,762	221,027	12,137	208,890
2009	CSMC 2009-12R	1,730,698	915,566	815,132	494,570	90,663	403,907
2009	JPMRR 2009-7	1,522,474	856,935	665,539	453,994	116,244	337,750
2009	JMAC 2009-R2	281,863	192,500	89,363	79,985	23,884	56,101
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>6,199,458</b>	<b>2,995,440</b>	<b>3,204,018</b>	<b>1,992,094</b>	<b>246,798</b>	<b>1,745,296</b>
		<i>% of origination remaining</i>			32%	8%	54%

(1) Contains collateral from CSMC 2010-12R Trust.

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# AGENCY & REPO SUMMARY

## Agency Securities – As of September 30, 2017

Security Type	Coupon <sup>(1)</sup>	Current Face	Weighted Average Market Price	Weighted Average CPR
Agency	3.50%	\$878,766	103.3	10.3
Pass-through	4.00%	1,261,567	105.5	10.8
	4.50%	176,505	107.7	15.7
Commercial	3.6%	1,774,802	102.1	—
Agency IO	0.7%	N/M <sup>(2)</sup>	3.6	9.8
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$4,091,640</b>		

## Repo Days to Maturity – As of September 30, 2017

Maturity	Principal Balance	Weighted Average Rate	Weighted Average Days
Within 30 days	\$2,433,157	1.40%	
30 to 59 days	473,727	1.38%	
60 to 89 days	189,350	1.37%	
90 to 360 days	—	—%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,096,234</b>	<b>1.39%</b>	<b>21 Days</b>

## Agency Securities – As of June 30, 2017

Security Type	Coupon <sup>(1)</sup>	Current Face	Weighted Average Market Price	Weighted Average CPR
Agency	3.50%	\$968,548	102.9	10.4
Pass-through	4.00%	1,153,118	105.4	14.7
	4.50%	254,403	107.6	20.8
Commercial	3.6%	1,366,273	101.4	—
Agency IO	0.8%	N/M <sup>(2)</sup>	3.8	10.4
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$3,742,342</b>		

## Repo Days to Maturity – As of June 30, 2017

Maturity	Principal Balance	Weighted Average Rate	Weighted Average Days
Within 30 days	\$2,341,691	1.13%	
30 to 59 days	543,553	1.23%	
60 to 89 days	264,071.478	1.24%	
90 to 360 days	—	—%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,149,315</b>	<b>1.16%</b>	<b>23 Days</b>

(1) Coupon is a weighted average for Commercial and Agency IO

(2) Notional Agency IO was \$3.2 billion and \$3.3 billion as of September 30, 2017 and June 30, 2017 respectively.

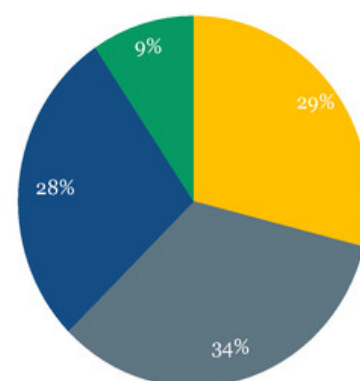
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# INTEREST RATE SENSITIVITY

*Chimera added to its Agency Commercial and hedge portfolios during the quarter*

Description (\$ in thousands)		- 100 Basis Points	- 50 Basis Points	Unchanged	+50 Basis Points	+100 Basis Points
<b>Agency Securities</b>	Market Value	\$ 4,604,132	\$ 4,483,164	\$ 4,354,872	\$ 4,219,737	\$ 4,080,509
	Percentage Change	5.7 %	2.9 %	-	(3.1)%	(6.3)%
<b>Swap</b>	Market Value	(176,437)	(86,148)	-	83,021	164,695
	Percentage Change	(4.1)%	(2.0)%	-	1.9 %	3.8 %
<b>Futures</b>	Market Value	(35,306)	(17,411)	-	16,946	33,439
	Percentage Change	(0.8)%	(0.4)%	-	0.4 %	0.8 %
<b>Net Gain/(Loss)</b>		\$ 37,517	\$ 24,733	-	\$ (35,168)	\$ (76,229)
<b>Percentage Change in Portfolio Value<sup>(1)</sup></b>		0.9 %	0.6 %	-	(0.8)%	(1.8)%

## Hedge Book Maturities



- Near Term 0-3
- Short Term 3-5
- Medium Term 5-10
- Long Term 10-30

### Total Notional Balance - Derivative Instruments

	September 30, 2017	June 30, 2017
<b>Interest Rate Swaps</b>	3,373,400	2,952,400
<b>Swaptions</b>	482,000	482,000
<b>Futures</b>	619,700	619,700

(1) Based on instantaneous moves in interest rates.

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