

UNITED STATES  
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):  
October 31, 2018

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 October 31, 2018, the registrant issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2018. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

On October 31, 2018, 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 October 31, 2018, issued by Chimera Investment Corporation](#)

99.2 [Supplemental Financial Information for the quarter ended September 30, 2018](#)

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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: October 31, 2018



## PRESS RELEASE

NYSE: CIM

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

#### **CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION REPORTS 3RD QUARTER 2018 EARNINGS**

- 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER GAAP NET INCOME OF \$0.79 PER COMMON SHARE
- 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER CORE EARNINGS<sup>(1)</sup> OF \$0.60 PER COMMON SHARE
- GAAP BOOK VALUE OF \$17.02 PER COMMON SHARE

NEW YORK - (BUSINESS WIRE) - Chimera Investment Corporation (NYSE:CIM) today announced its financial results for the third quarter ended September 30, 2018. The Company's GAAP net income for the third quarter was \$147 million or \$0.79 per common share. Core earnings<sup>(1)</sup> for the third quarter ended September 30, 2018 was \$112 million or \$0.60 per common share. Economic return on book value for the third quarter was 3.0%.<sup>(2)</sup> The Company sponsored two mortgage loan securitizations during the third quarter for \$788 million and incurred \$1.4 million in securitization deal related expenses.

"This quarter, Chimera issued \$260 million of Series C preferred Stock with an annual dividend rate of 7.75%," said Matthew Lambiase, Chimera's CEO and President. "Since the fourth quarter of 2016, we have raised \$730 million in capital through preferred shares which has helped to diversify our capital structure and lower our cost of capital while being accretive to our common 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 plus the dividend declared per common share.

## Other Information

Chimera Investment Corporation is a publicly traded real estate investment trust, or REIT, that is primarily engaged in the business of investing directly or indirectly through our subsidiaries, on a leveraged basis, in a diversified portfolio of mortgage assets, including residential mortgage loans, Non-Agency RMBS, Agency CMBS, Agency RMBS, and other real estate related securities.

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

### CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

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

(Unaudited)

	September 30, 2018		December 31, 2017	
<b>Assets:</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	121,046	\$	63,569
Non-Agency RMBS, at fair value		2,507,707		2,851,316
Agency MBS, at fair value		9,406,092		4,364,828
Loans held for investment, at fair value		12,729,559		13,678,263
Accrued interest receivable		114,798		100,789
Other assets		145,655		114,391
Derivatives, at fair value, net		155,069		48,914
<b>Total assets <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>25,179,926</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>21,222,070</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
Repurchase agreements (\$12.6 billion and \$8.8 billion, pledged as collateral, respectively)	\$	11,143,102	\$	7,250,452
Securitized debt, collateralized by Non-Agency RMBS (\$1.1 billion and \$1.6 billion pledged as collateral, respectively)		167,718		205,780
Securitized debt at fair value, collateralized by loans held for investment (\$12.5 billion and \$13.3 billion pledged as collateral, respectively)		8,826,879		9,388,657
Payable for investments purchased		903,424		567,440
Accrued interest payable		110,228		61,888
Dividends payable		96,809		95,365
Accounts payable and other liabilities		18,585		17,191
Derivatives, at fair value, net		—		320
<b>Total liabilities <sup>(1)</sup></b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>21,266,745</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>17,587,093</b>

Commitments and Contingencies (See Note 15)

#### Stockholders' Equity:

Preferred Stock, par value of \$0.01 per share, 100,000,000 shares authorized:

8.00% Series A cumulative redeemable: 5,800,000 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$145,000 liquidation preference)	\$	58	\$	58
8.00% Series B cumulative redeemable: 13,000,000 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$325,000 liquidation preference)		130		130
7.75% Series C cumulative redeemable: 10,400,000 and 0 shares issued and outstanding, respectively (\$260,000 liquidation preference)		104		—
Common stock: par value \$0.01 per share; 300,000,000 shares authorized, 187,006,943 and 187,809,288 shares issued and outstanding, respectively		1,870		1,878
Additional paid-in-capital		4,069,868		3,826,691
Accumulated other comprehensive income		627,936		796,902
Cumulative earnings		3,482,287		2,967,852
Cumulative distributions to stockholders		(4,269,072)		(3,958,534)
<b>Total stockholders' equity</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,913,181</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,634,977</b>
<b>Total liabilities and stockholders' equity</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>25,179,926</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>21,222,070</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, 2018 and December 31, 2017, total assets of consolidated VIEs were \$13,705,646 and \$14,987,464, respectively, and total liabilities of consolidated VIEs were \$9,032,119 and \$9,631,820, respectively.

**CHIMERA INVESTMENT CORPORATION**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS**

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

(Unaudited)

	For the Quarters Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2017
<b>Net interest income:</b>				
Interest income <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 321,715	\$ 296,813	\$ 925,282	\$ 836,801
Interest expense <sup>(2)</sup>	174,671	140,358	485,189	388,544
Net interest income	147,044	156,455	440,093	448,257
<b>Other-than-temporary impairments:</b>				
Total other-than-temporary impairment losses	(772)	(784)	(1,871)	(4,245)
Portion of loss recognized in other comprehensive income	(6,461)	(10,684)	(15,651)	(39,431)
Net other-than-temporary credit impairment losses	(7,233)	(11,468)	(17,522)	(43,676)
<b>Other investment gains (losses):</b>				
Net unrealized gains (losses) on derivatives	71,197	9,204	178,511	19,902
Realized gains (losses) on terminations of interest rate swaps	—	—	—	(16,143)
Net realized gains (losses) on derivatives	2,881	(7,841)	14,573	(28,680)
<b>Net gains (losses) on derivatives</b>	<b>74,078</b>	<b>1,363</b>	<b>193,084</b>	<b>(24,921)</b>
Net unrealized gains (losses) on financial instruments at fair value	(34,306)	19,042	(38,204)	159,047
Net realized gains (losses) on sales of investments	(6,123)	1	(3,956)	9,709
Gains (losses) on extinguishment of debt	9,263	(1)	19,320	(48,016)
Total other gains (losses)	42,912	20,405	170,244	95,819
<b>Other expenses:</b>				
Compensation and benefits	8,642	7,533	25,741	22,759
General and administrative expenses	5,615	4,537	16,964	13,162
Servicing fees	9,766	10,715	31,044	31,193
Deal expenses	1,372	3,357	4,555	16,054
Total other expenses	25,395	26,142	78,304	83,168
<b>Income (loss) before income taxes</b>	<b>157,328</b>	<b>139,250</b>	<b>514,511</b>	<b>417,232</b>
Income taxes	7	18	76	172
<b>Net income (loss)</b>	<b>\$ 157,321</b>	<b>\$ 139,232</b>	<b>\$ 514,435</b>	<b>\$ 417,060</b>
<b>Dividend on preferred stock</b>	<b>9,960</b>	<b>9,400</b>	<b>28,760</b>	<b>24,083</b>
<b>Net income (loss) available to common shareholders</b>	<b>\$ 147,361</b>	<b>\$ 129,832</b>	<b>\$ 485,675</b>	<b>\$ 392,977</b>
<b>Net income (loss) per share available to common shareholders:</b>				
Basic	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.69	\$ 2.59	\$ 2.09
Diluted	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.69	\$ 2.59	\$ 2.09
<b>Weighted average number of common shares outstanding:</b>				
Basic	187,006,777	187,779,794	187,182,932	187,773,715
Diluted	187,584,958	188,192,111	187,705,831	188,176,757
<b>Dividends declared per share of common stock</b>	<b>\$ 0.50</b>	<b>\$ 0.50</b>	<b>\$ 1.50</b>	<b>\$ 1.50</b>

(1) Includes interest income of consolidated VIEs of \$223,948 and \$241,195 for the quarters ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively and interest income of consolidated VIEs of \$688,720 and \$668,621 for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017.

(2) Includes interest expense of consolidated VIEs of \$99,622 and \$101,856 for the quarters ended September 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively and interest expense of consolidated VIEs of \$298,744 and \$290,264 for the nine months ended September 30, 2018 and 2017.

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

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

(Unaudited)

	For the Quarters Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2017	September 30, 2018	September 30, 2017
<b>Comprehensive income (loss):</b>				
Net income (loss)	\$ 157,321	\$ 139,232	\$ 514,435	\$ 417,060
<b>Other comprehensive income:</b>				
Unrealized gains (losses) on available-for-sale securities, net	(50,728)	21,370	(181,885)	59,114
Reclassification adjustment for net losses included in net income for other-than-temporary credit impairment losses	7,233	11,468	17,522	43,676
Reclassification adjustment for net realized losses (gains) included in net income	(220)	(1)	(4,603)	(7,778)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	(43,715)	32,837	(168,966)	95,012
<b>Comprehensive income (loss) before preferred stock dividends</b>	<b>\$ 113,606</b>	<b>\$ 172,069</b>	<b>\$ 345,469</b>	<b>\$ 512,072</b>
Dividends on preferred stock	\$ 9,960	\$ 9,400	\$ 28,760	\$ 24,083
<b>Comprehensive income (loss) available to common stock shareholders</b>	<b>\$ 103,646</b>	<b>\$ 162,669</b>	<b>\$ 316,709</b>	<b>\$ 487,989</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, 2018	June 30, 2018	March 31, 2018	December 31, 2017	September 30, 2017
	(dollars in thousands, except per share data)				
<b>GAAP Net income available to common stockholders</b>	<b>\$ 147,361</b>	<b>\$ 108,708</b>	<b>\$ 229,607</b>	<b>\$ 98,208</b>	<b>\$ 129,832</b>
Adjustments:					
Net other-than-temporary credit impairment losses	7,233	9,131	1,158	18,179	11,468
Net unrealized (gains) losses on derivatives	(71,197)	(25,895)	(81,419)	(28,074)	(9,204)
Net unrealized (gains) losses on financial instruments at fair value	34,306	18,364	(14,466)	47,637	(19,042)
Net realized (gains) losses on sales of investments	6,123	(2,167)	—	586	(1)
(Gains) losses on extinguishment of debt	(9,263)	(387)	(9,670)	(12,742)	1
Realized (gains) losses on terminations of interest rate swaps	—	—	—	—	—
Net realized (gains) losses on Futures <sup>(1)</sup>	(2,799)	2,210	(16,424)	(8,204)	3,267
<b>Core Earnings</b>	<b>\$ 111,764</b>	<b>\$ 109,964</b>	<b>\$ 108,786</b>	<b>\$ 115,590</b>	<b>\$ 116,321</b>
GAAP net income per basic common share	\$ 0.79	\$ 0.58	\$ 1.22	\$ 0.52	\$ 0.69
Core earnings per basic common share <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.59	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.62	\$ 0.62

(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, 2018 and December 31, 2017.

September 30, 2018

	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	\$ 2,413,931	\$ 52.46	\$ 81.81	4.9%	18.8%
Senior, interest-only	5,844,053	5.09	4.15	1.2%	9.1%
Subordinated	379,077	57.66	73.34	4.3%	11.0%
Subordinated, interest-only	244,298	4.36	5.17	1.2%	16.1%
Agency MBS					
Residential pass-through	6,730,675	103.18	101.19	4.0%	3.5%
Commercial pass-through	2,532,460	102.00	97.75	3.6%	3.4%
Interest-only	2,865,073	4.32	4.17	0.8%	4.1%

December 31, 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	\$ 2,733,926	\$ 54.04	\$ 81.62	4.6%	16.7%
Senior, interest-only	4,862,461	5.41	4.34	1.3%	8.0%
Subordinated	501,455	66.77	80.01	4.1%	9.6%
Subordinated, interest-only	201,378	3.66	3.89	0.8%	11.8%
Agency MBS					
Residential pass-through	2,227,128	105.53	104.27	3.8%	2.9%
Commercial pass-through	1,894,594	102.26	102.31	3.6%	3.2%
Interest-only	3,021,840	3.68	3.45	0.7%	3.4%

(1) Bond Equivalent Yield at period end.

At September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017, the repurchase agreements collateralized by MBS had the following remaining maturities.

	September 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
	(dollars in thousands)	
Overnight	\$ 123,417	\$ —
1 to 29 days	4,622,550	4,745,342
30 to 59 days	3,832,236	1,206,769
60 to 89 days	1,208,344	592,865
90 to 119 days	25,196	—
Greater than or equal to 120 days	1,331,359	705,476
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 11,143,102</b>	<b>\$ 7,250,452</b>

The following table summarizes certain characteristics of our portfolio at September 30, 2018 and December 31, 2017.

	September 30, 2018	December 31, 2017
Interest earning assets at period-end <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 24,643,358	\$ 20,894,407
Interest bearing liabilities at period-end	\$ 20,137,699	\$ 16,844,889
GAAP Leverage at period-end	5.1:1	4.6:1
GAAP Leverage at period-end (recourse)	2.8:1	2.0:1
Portfolio Composition, at amortized cost		
Non-Agency RMBS	5.1%	5.9%
Senior	3.0%	2.9%
Senior, interest only	1.2%	1.3%
Subordinated	0.9%	1.7%
Subordinated, interest only	0.0%	0.0%
RMBS transferred to consolidated VIEs	2.4%	4.6%
Agency MBS	40.6%	22.2%
Residential	29.2%	11.8%
Commercial	10.9%	9.8%
Interest-only	0.5%	0.6%
Loans held for investment	51.9%	67.3%
Fixed-rate percentage of portfolio	95.3%	93.7%
Adjustable-rate percentage of portfolio	4.7%	6.3%
Annualized yield on average interest earning assets for the quarters ended	5.8%	6.3%
Annualized cost of funds on average borrowed funds for the quarters ended <sup>(2)</sup>	3.6%	3.6%

(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 (Gains) Losses on Interest Rate Swaps	Economic Interest Expense	GAAP Net Interest Income	Net Realized Gains (Losses) on Interest Rate Swaps	Other <sup>(1)</sup>	Economic Net Interest Income
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2018	\$ 321,715	\$ 174,671	\$ (242)	\$ 174,429	\$ 147,044	\$ 242	\$ 321	\$ 147,607
For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2018	\$ 306,436	\$ 161,266	\$ (1,246)	\$ 160,020	\$ 145,170	\$ 1,246	\$ 436	\$ 146,852
For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2018	\$ 297,132	\$ 149,251	\$ 2,612	\$ 151,863	\$ 147,881	\$ (2,612)	\$ 143	\$ 145,412
For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2017	\$ 301,957	\$ 144,204	\$ 4,369	\$ 148,573	\$ 157,753	\$ (4,369)	\$ (61)	\$ 153,323
For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2017	\$ 296,813	\$ 140,358	\$ 3,489	\$ 143,847	\$ 156,455	\$ (3,489)	\$ (167)	\$ 152,799

(1) Primarily interest expense/(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 Quarter Ended					
	September 30, 2018			September 30, 2017		
	(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	\$ 7,776,334	\$ 66,863	3.4%	\$ 3,733,640	\$ 24,236	2.6%
Non-Agency RMBS	1,186,945	29,213	9.8%	1,258,634	28,590	9.1%
Non-Agency RMBS transferred to consolidated VIEs	632,155	42,416	26.8%	1,000,912	56,388	22.5%
Residential mortgage loans held for investment	12,613,816	183,544	5.8%	12,959,595	187,432	5.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 22,209,250</b>	<b>\$ 322,036</b>	<b>5.8%</b>	<b>\$ 18,952,781</b>	<b>\$ 296,646</b>	<b>6.3%</b>
<b>Liabilities and stockholders' equity:</b>						
<b>Interest-bearing liabilities:</b>						
Repurchase agreements collateralized by:						
Agency MBS <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 6,720,205	\$ 38,492	2.3%	\$ 3,114,689	\$ 14,211	1.8%
Non-Agency RMBS <sup>(2)</sup>	428,363	4,186	3.9%	706,941	5,257	3.0%
Re-REMIC repurchase agreements	621,042	6,681	4.3%	443,029	3,679	3.3%
RMBS from loan securitizations	2,465,678	25,449	4.1%	2,285,232	18,843	3.3%
Securitized debt, collateralized by Non-Agency RMBS	173,825	2,471	5.7%	248,989	4,416	7.1%
Securitized debt, collateralized by loans	8,938,962	97,150	4.3%	9,399,125	97,441	4.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 19,348,075</b>	<b>\$ 174,429</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>\$ 16,198,005</b>	<b>\$ 143,847</b>	<b>3.6%</b>
<b>Economic net interest income/net interest rate spread</b>		\$ 147,607	2.2%		\$ 152,799	2.7%
<b>Net interest-earning assets/net interest margin</b>	\$ 2,861,175		2.7%	\$ 2,754,776		3.2%
<b>Ratio of interest-earning assets to interest bearing liabilities</b>	1.15			1.17		

(1) Interest-earning assets at amortized cost

(2) Interest includes net cash paid/received 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 the 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)		
<b>For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2018</b>	16.64%	15.61%	11.82%
<b>For the Quarter Ended June 30, 2018</b>	12.91%	16.05%	12.02%
<b>For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2018</b>	26.17%	15.92%	11.91%
<b>For the Quarter Ended December 31, 2017</b>	11.82%	16.85%	12.70%
<b>For the Quarter Ended September 30, 2017</b>	15.42%	16.92%	12.88%

\* 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, 2018	June 30, 2018	March 31, 2018	December 31, 2017	September 30, 2017
	(dollars in thousands)				
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 540,269	\$ 555,444	\$ 582,193	\$ 622,982	\$ 627,724
Accretion of discount	(35,184)	(38,110)	(37,309)	(39,640)	(43,502)
Purchases	1,966	3,098	—	(2,914)	1,723
Sales and deconsolidation	(986)	(6,439)	174	—	5,792
Transfers from/(to) credit reserve, net	32,955	26,276	10,386	1,765	31,245
Balance, end of period	\$ 539,020	\$ 540,269	\$ 555,444	\$ 582,193	\$ 622,982

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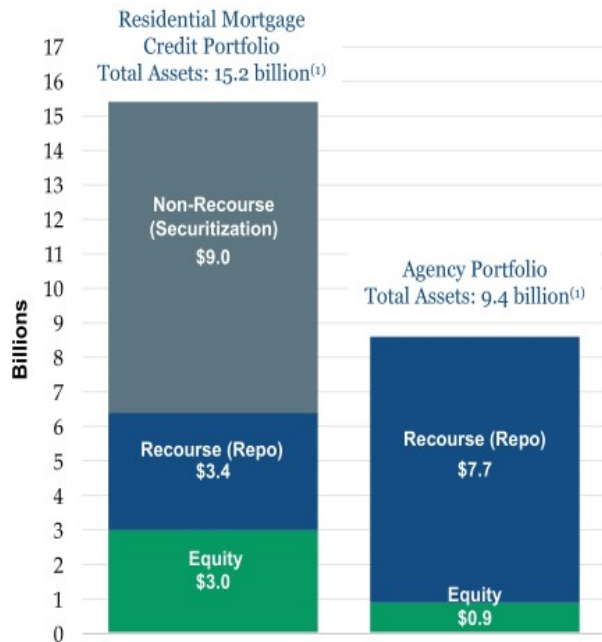
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# PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION

*76% of Chimera's equity capital is allocated to mortgage credit*



All data as of September 30, 2018

(1) Financing excludes unsettled trades.

(2) Reflects third quarter 2018 average assets, yields, and spreads.

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

## Net Investment Analysis<sup>(2)</sup>

	Residential Mortgage Credit Portfolio	Agency Portfolio	Total Portfolio
Gross Asset Yield:	7.1%	3.4%	5.8%
Financing Cost <sup>(3)</sup> :	4.3%	2.3%	3.6%
Net Interest Spread:	2.8%	1.1%	2.2%
Net Interest Margin:	3.3%	1.5%	2.7%

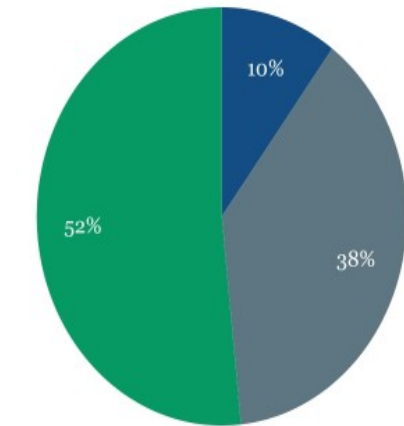
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# GAAP ASSET ALLOCATION<sup>(1)</sup>

*The increase in Agency MBS provides spread income and preserves portfolio liquidity*

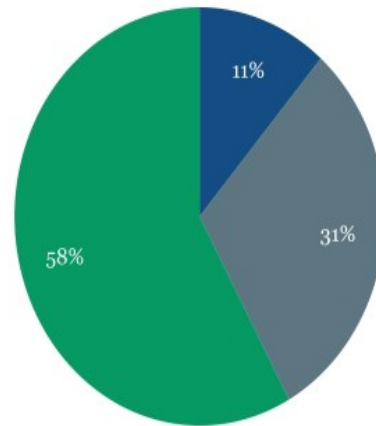
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■ Non-Agency MBS   ■ Agency MBS  
■ Loan Portfolio

Total Portfolio: \$24.6 billion

June 30, 2018



■ Non-Agency MBS   ■ Agency MBS  
■ Loan Portfolio

Total Portfolio: \$22.8 billion

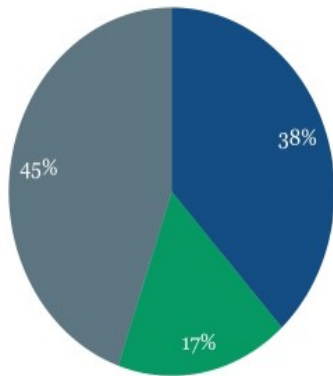
(1) Based on fair value.

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# GAAP FINANCING SOURCES

Total Leverage<sup>(1)</sup>: 5.1:1  
Recourse Leverage<sup>(1)</sup>: 2.8:1

September 30, 2018



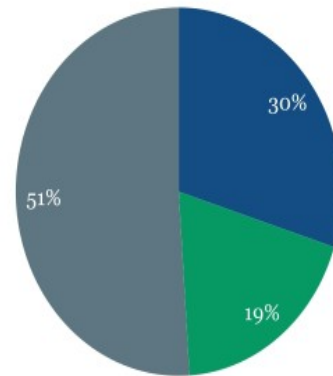
- Agency Repurchase Agreements, RMBS
- Non-Agency Repurchase Agreements, RMBS
- Non-Recourse Debt, Securitized RMBS and Loans (2)

Total Financing: \$20.1 Billion

- (1) Leverage ratios as of September 30, 2018  
(2) Consists of tranches of RMBS and loan securitizations sold to third parties.

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June 30, 2018



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

Total Financing: \$18.6 Billion



# CONSOLIDATED LOAN SECURITIZATIONS

(\$ in thousands)

September 30, 2018

Vintage	Deal	Total Original Face	Total of Tranches Sold	Total of Tranches Retained	Total Remaining Face	Remaining Face of Tranches Sold	Remaining Face of Tranches Retained
2018	CIM 2018-R5 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$380,194	\$266,136	\$114,058	\$371,348	\$257,294	\$114,054
2018	CIM 2018-R4	387,222	271,056	116,166	375,840	259,732	116,108
2018	CIM 2018-R3 <sup>(1)</sup>	181,073	146,669	34,404	171,196	136,846	34,350
2018	CIM 2018-R2	380,292	266,204	114,088	351,490	237,005	114,485
2018	CIM 2018-R1	169,032	140,297	28,735	157,880	128,869	29,011
2017	CMLTI 2017-RP2	421,329	341,276	80,053	384,196	304,345	79,851
2017	CIM 2017-8 <sup>(1)</sup>	1,148,050	688,829	459,221	1,031,171	572,060	459,111
2017	CIM 2017-7	512,446	341,062	171,384	454,454	284,775	169,679
2017	CIM 2017-6	782,725	626,179	156,546	676,017	519,055	156,962
2017	CIM 2017-5	377,034	75,407	301,627	329,845	28,475	301,370
2017	CIM 2017-4	830,510	710,003	120,507	595,893	483,785	112,108
2017	CIM 2017-3	2,434,640	2,113,267	321,373	1,896,992	1,578,874	318,118
2017	CIM 2017-2	331,440	248,580	82,860	274,375	191,496	82,879
2017	CIM 2017-1	526,267	368,387	157,880	421,107	264,745	156,362
2016	CIM 2016-FRE1	185,811	115,165	70,646	148,834	79,908	68,926
2016	CIM 2016-4 <sup>(1)</sup>	601,733	493,420	108,313	449,313	342,018	107,295
2016	CIM 2016-3	1,746,084	1,478,933	267,151	1,224,651	966,587	258,064
2016	CIM 2016-2	1,762,177	1,492,563	269,614	1,233,946	972,280	261,666
2016	CIM 2016-1	1,499,341	1,266,898	232,443	1,038,892	817,845	221,047
2015	CIM 2015-4AG <sup>(1)</sup>	750,647	530,970	219,677	460,012	273,458	186,554
2012	CSMC 2012-CIM1	741,939	707,810	34,129	49,425	22,297	27,128
2012	CSMC 2012-CIM2	425,091	404,261	20,830	41,678	24,222	17,456
2012	CSMC 2012-CIM3	329,886	305,804	24,082	106,867	88,872	17,995
2008	PHMC 2008-CIM1	619,710	549,142	70,568	34,318	24,998	9,320
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$17,524,673</b>	<b>\$13,948,318</b>	<b>\$3,576,355</b>	<b>\$12,279,740</b>	<b>\$8,859,841</b>	<b>\$3,419,899</b>

All data as of September 30, 2018

(1) Contains collateral from Springleaf deals acquired in 2014.

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# CONSOLIDATED RMBS SECURITIZATIONS

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

(\$ in thousands)

September 30, 2018

Vintage	Deal	Total Original Face	Total of Tranches Sold	Total of Tranches Retained	Total Remaining Face	Remaining Face of Tranches Sold	Remaining Face of Tranches Retained
2010	CSMC 2010-1R	\$1,730,581	\$691,630	\$1,038,951	\$442,292	\$3,154	\$439,138
2009	CSMC 2009-12R	1,730,698	915,566	815,132	426,104	78,703	347,401
2009	JPMRR 2009-7	1,522,474	856,935	665,539	382,081	84,812	297,269
2009	JMAC 2009-R2	281,863	192,500	89,363	65,151	15,872	49,279
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$5,265,616</b>	<b>\$2,656,631</b>	<b>\$2,608,985</b>	<b>\$1,315,628</b>	<b>\$182,541</b>	<b>\$1,133,087</b>
		<i>% of origination remaining</i>			25%	7%	43%

\* Chimera collapsed CSMC 2014-4R during the second quarter and owns the underlying securities

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# AGENCY SECURITIES AND REPO SUMMARY

## Agency Securities – As of September 30, 2018

Security Type	Coupon <sup>(1)</sup>	Current Face	Weighted Average Market Price	Weighted Average CPR
	3.50%	\$780,640	98.7	9.7
Agency Pass-through	4.00%	5,170,450	101.1	5.6
	4.50%	438,444	103.5	9.9
	5.0%	341,141	105.1	N/A <sup>(3)</sup>
Commercial	3.6%	2,532,460	97.8	—
Agency IO	0.8%	N/M <sup>(2)</sup>	4.2	3.7
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$9,263,135</b>		

## Agency Securities – As of June 30, 2018

Security Type	Coupon <sup>(1)</sup>	Current Face	Weighted Average Market Price	Weighted Average CPR
	3.50%	\$805,356	99.7	8.8
Agency Pass-through	4.00%	3,270,033	102.1	6.0
	4.50%	452,341	104.4	5.6
	5.0%	—	—	—
Commercial	3.6%	2,300,891	98.8	0.1
Agency IO	0.7%	N/M <sup>(2)</sup>	3.4	5.5
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$6,828,621</b>		

## Repo Days to Maturity – As of September 30, 2018

Maturity	Principal Balance	Weighted Average Rate	Weighted Average Days
Within 30 days	\$3,245,322	2.22%	
30 to 59 days	3,730,841	2.25%	
60 to 89 days	717,324	2.34%	
90 to 360 days	—	—%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,693,487</b>	<b>2.25%</b>	<b>31 Days</b>

## Repo Days to Maturity – As of June 30, 2018

Maturity	Principal Balance	Weighted Average Rate	Weighted Average Days
Within 30 days	\$3,510,195	2.05%	
30 to 59 days	1,544,638	2.14%	
60 to 89 days	505,494	2.19%	
90 to 360 days	9,090	2.74%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,569,417</b>	<b>2.09%</b>	<b>24 Days</b>

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

(2) Notional Agency IO was \$2.9 billion and \$3.0 billion as of September 30, 2018 and June 30, 2018 respectively.

(3) New origination

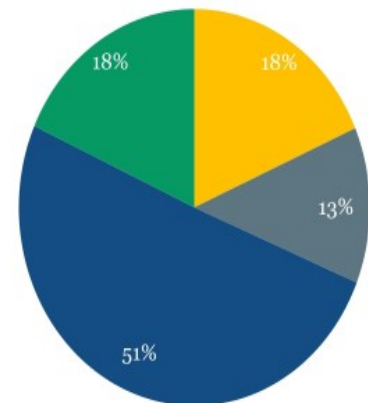
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# INTEREST RATE SENSITIVITY

*Chimera added to its Agency 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	\$ 9,857,910	\$ 9,650,351	\$ 9,406,092	\$ 9,133,202	\$ 8,840,558
	Percentage Change	4.8 %	2.6 %	-	(2.9)%	(6.0)%
<b>Swaps</b>	Market Value	(413,821)	(202,279)	-	193,387	378,260
	Percentage Change	(4.4)%	(2.2)%	-	2.1 %	4.0 %
<b>Futures</b>	Market Value	(32,951)	(16,262)	-	15,868	31,328
	Percentage Change	(0.4)%	(0.2)%	-	0.2 %	0.3 %
<b>Net Gain/(Loss)</b>		\$ 5,046	\$ 25,718	-	\$ (63,635)	\$ (155,946)
<b>Percentage Change in Portfolio Value<sup>(1)</sup></b>		0.1 %	0.3 %	-	(0.7)%	(1.7)%

## 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, 2018	June 30, 2018
<b>Agency Interest Rate Swaps</b>	6,432,650	5,087,400
<b>Swaptions</b>	53,000	53,000
<b>Futures</b>	619,700	619,700

(1) Based on instantaneous moves in interest rates.

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