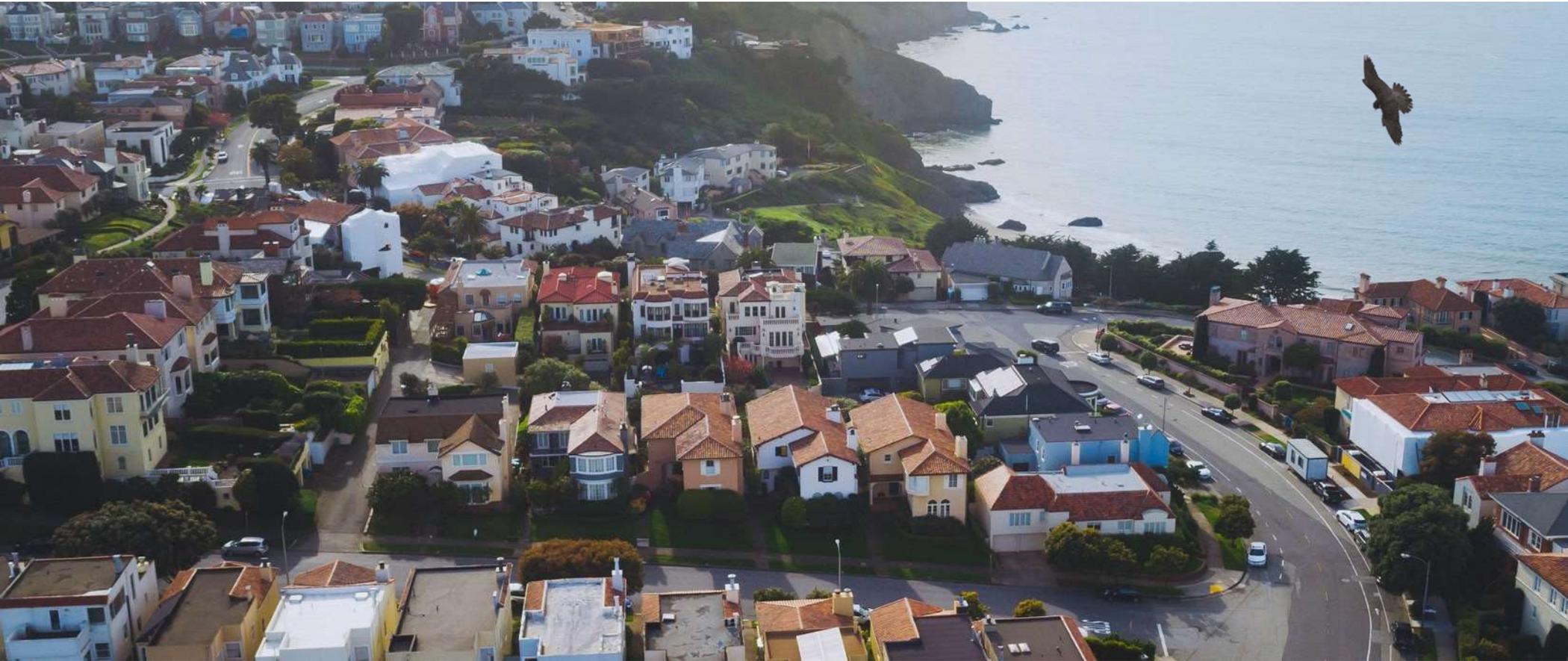


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Presentation to Debt & Preferred Equity Investors

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Financial Information

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- **Hybrid mortgage REIT with diversified investment portfolio and income stream:** residential and commercial mortgage, consumer / corporate loans, as well as multiple proprietary loan origination businesses; ability to shift capital allocation across various asset classes
- **Reduced volatility of book value and more consistent economic returns relative to peers:** dynamic hedging strategies, diversification, risk and liquidity management, and active portfolio management
- **Strong history of navigating severe market disruptions:** maintained book value stability and generated profits through the 2008 financial crisis, the 2013 taper tantrum, and the recent turbulence caused by the COVID-19 pandemic
- **Diversified sources of financing:** long-term, non-mark-to-market financing facilities and securitizations
- **Demonstrated discipline accessing capital markets:** common stock, preferred stock, and unsecured debt
- **Attractive NAIC-1 rating:** senior unsecured notes and preferred stock, rated “A” and “A-” respectively
- **Strong alignment of interests:** approx. \$70 million invested in EFC by management and directors, along with partners / affiliates of Ellington

\$3.5bn +

Diversified Investment
Portfolio

9.7%

Annualized Total Return
Since Inception

\$1.3 Billion

Total Equity

\$1.1 Billion

Common Equity

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The Ellington Platform



Ellington Profile

As of 12/31/2021

Founded:	1994
Employees:	>170
Investment Professionals:	70
Global offices:	3

\$13.3

Billion in
assets under
management as of
12/31/2021⁽⁴⁾

12

Employee-partners
own
the firm⁽²⁾

27

Years of average
industry experience
of senior portfolio
managers

7%

Management's
ownership of EFC,
representing
strong alignment⁽³⁾

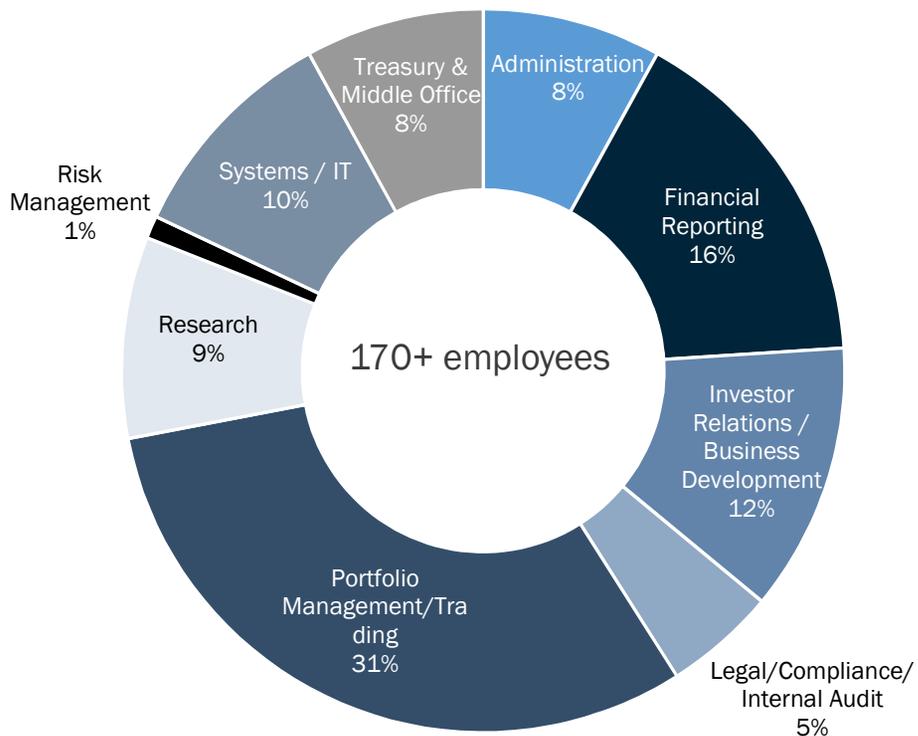
Ellington and its Affiliated Management Companies

- Our external manager Ellington Financial Management LLC is part of the Ellington family of SEC-registered investment advisors⁽⁴⁾.
- Ellington Management Group and its affiliates manage Ellington Financial Inc. (EFC), Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT (EARN), multi-investor hedge funds, separately managed accounts, and opportunistic private funds.
- Time-tested infrastructure and proprietary resources in trading, research, risk management, and operational support

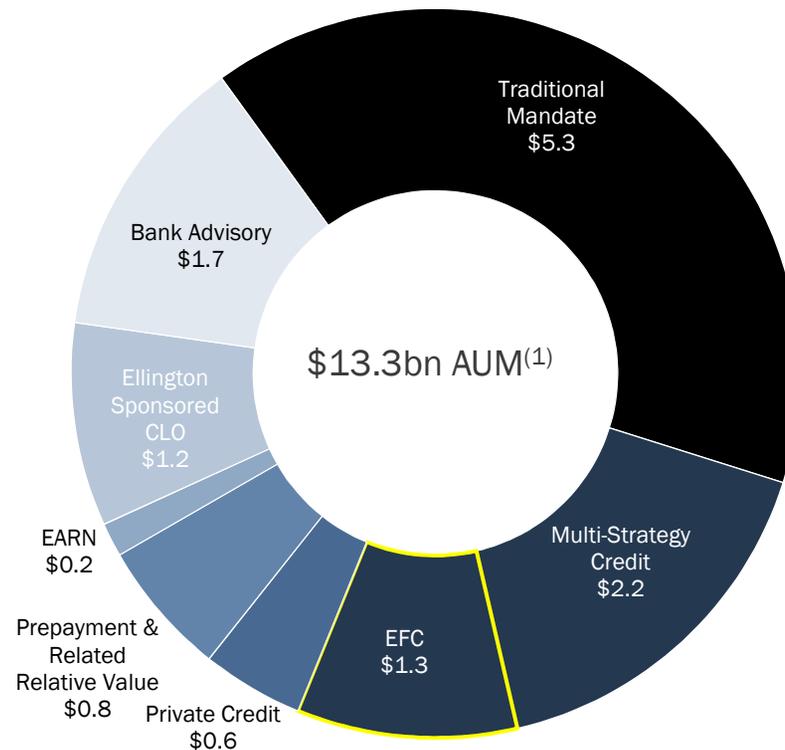
Industry-Leading Research & Trading Expertise

- Sophisticated proprietary models for prepayment and credit analysis
- Approximately 20% of employees dedicated to research and technology
- Structured credit trading experience and analytical skills developed since the firm's founding 27 years ago
- Ellington's portfolio managers are among the most experienced in the MBS sector

Headcount by Department



Strategy Breakdown (\$bn)

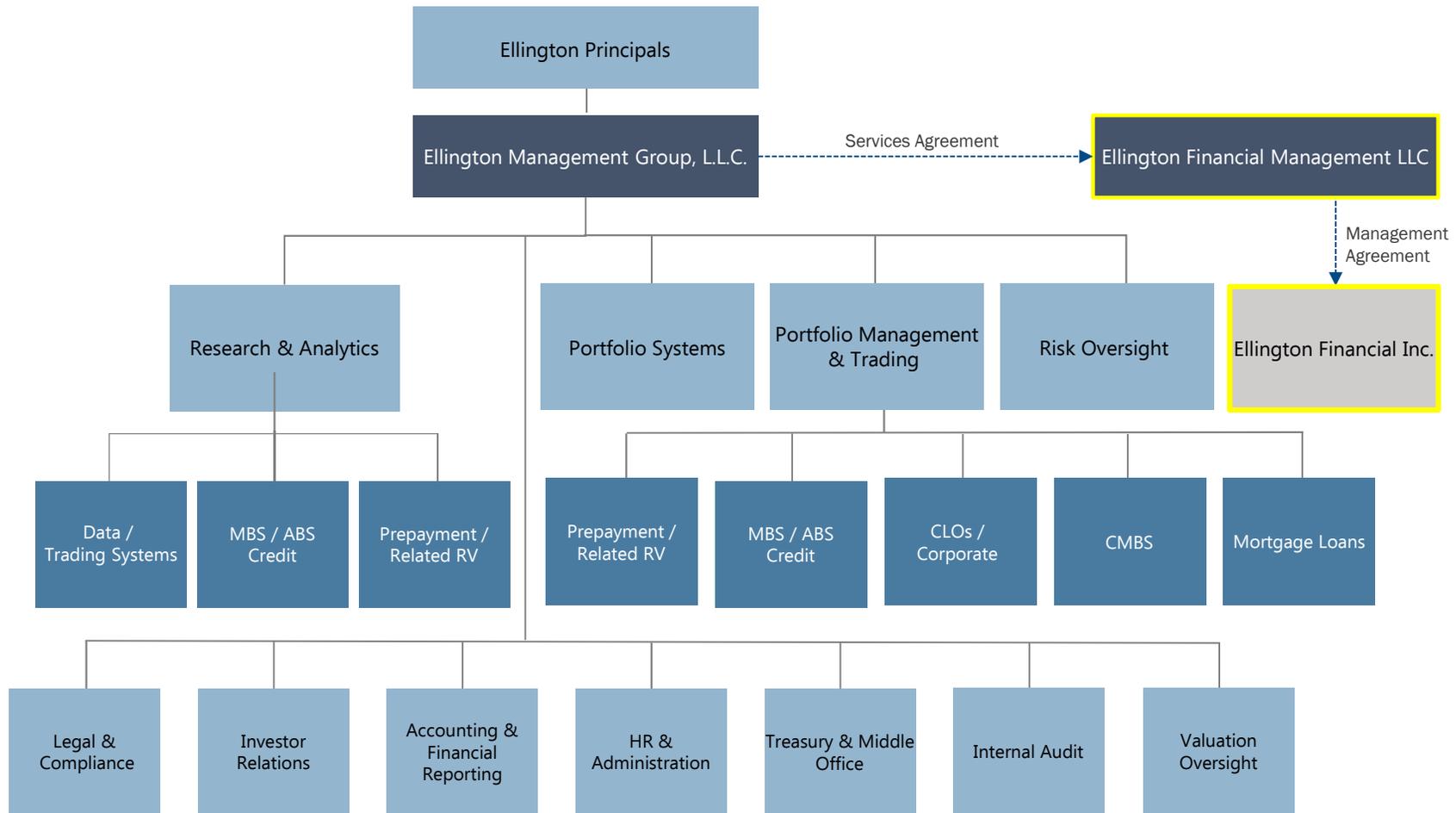


- Ellington manages approximately \$1.5 billion of permanent capital through EFC and EARN as of 12/31/21
 - EFC represents approximately 10% of overall Ellington AUM
- Management owns approximately 7% of EFC's common shares and convertible securities⁽²⁾
- Since 12/31/19, overall Ellington AUM has increased by ~35% and EFC total equity⁽¹⁾ by ~52%

	Years of Experience ⁽³⁾	Years at Ellington ⁽³⁾	
Michael Vranos Co-Chief Investment Officer ⁽¹⁾	38	27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Founder and CEO of Ellington • Former head of RMBS trading and origination at Kidder Peabody • B.A. in Mathematics from Harvard University (magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa)
Laurence Penn Chief Executive Officer ⁽²⁾	37	27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vice Chairman of Ellington, CEO of EFC and EARN • Former Co-head of CMO origination and trading at Lehman Brothers • B.A. in Mathematics from Harvard University (summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa) • Masters in Mathematics from Cambridge University
Mark Tecotzky Co-Chief Investment Officer	35	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vice Chairman, Co-Head of Credit Strategies • Former senior mortgage trader at Credit Suisse • B.S. from Yale University • Received a National Science Foundation fellowship to study at MIT
JR Herlihy Chief Financial Officer	18	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CFO of EFC and COO of EARN • Managing Director of EMG and former Co-Chief Investment Officer of Ellington Housing Inc. • Formerly Vice President of acquisitions at GTIS Partners LP • B.A. in Economics and History from Dartmouth College (summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa)

Ellington employs over 170 people; approximately 20% are dedicated to research and technology

Ellington has over 170 employees supporting approximately \$13.3 billion⁽¹⁾ in assets under management



Sophisticated infrastructure supports rigorous management of credit, interest rate, liquidity, and other risks



Portfolio Construction

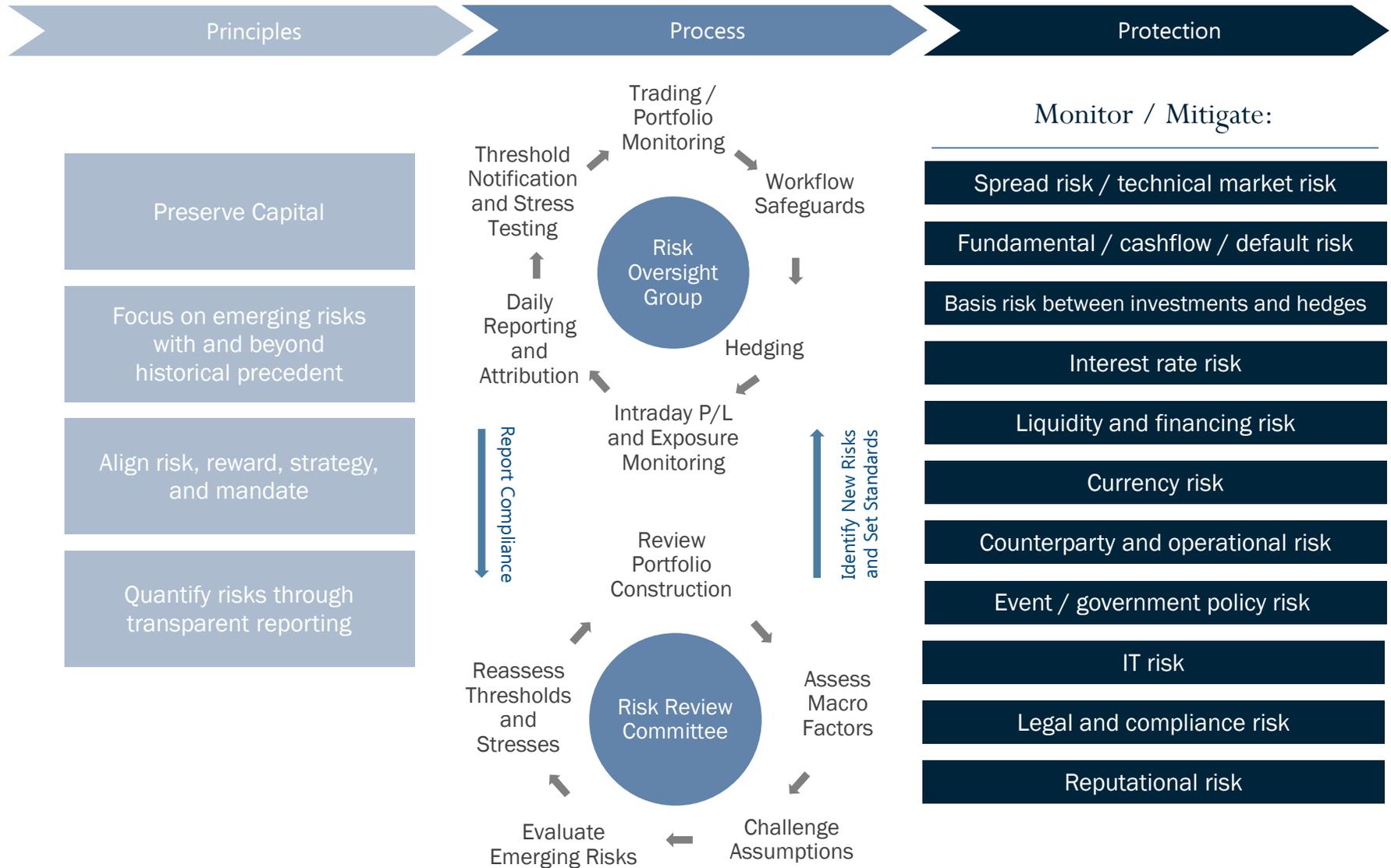
- CEO, Portfolio Management (PM) Committee and Risk Oversight Committee set top-down portfolio and strategy targets / limits
- Sector specialized PMs access niche, high risk-adjusted returning opportunities through deep networks
- Proprietary data sources, pricing models and data analytics utilized to analyze collateral and set purchase / sales price targets

Risk Measurement, Hedging and Trade Execution

- Exposures assessed relative to industry, capital structure, loan terms and other limits as well as across a range of stress tests and scenarios
- PMs determine proper trade hedges, where applicable, with the Risk Oversight Committee and Research
- Senior PMs review larger investments
- Senior PMs / PMs execute the trade

Risk Management and Compliance

- Trade suitability and allocation based on liquidity and maximum drawdown parameters
- Automated allocation systems, overseen by Compliance and Risk Oversight teams
- Middle Office and Operations manage portfolio holdings, settlements and financing; Risk Oversight generates and reviews position- and fund-level risk reports
- Investment theses and structures, including portfolio hedges, continuously reviewed and revised by PMs and Risk Oversight



Compliance Program

- Chief Compliance Officer and dedicated team
- Compliance Committee
- Compliance Manual and Code of Ethics
- Internal culture (“tone at the top”)
- Annual training
- Third-party mock regulatory examinations
- Firm-wide notices and intranet service

Extensive Surveillance Infrastructure

- Oversight integrated with proprietary portfolio management system (automated diagnostics and full data transparency)
- Personal trading and certification system
- Email and Bloomberg message review process
- Other external sources (whistleblower service, etc.)

Internal Audit Program

- Head of Internal Audit - oversee CNM LLC
- Sarbanes-Oxley testing oversight
- Review of infrastructure exceeding requirements of Sarbanes-Oxley (“out of scope testing”)
- Intrusion testing
- Disaster recovery plan formulation and testing

- Modeling, research and infrastructure have been at the heart of Ellington's business model since it was founded
 - 20% of Ellington's employees are in research and technology
- Loan-level models provide deep insight into value and risk across a wide range of instruments
 - Rely on analysis of terabytes of data not in public domain

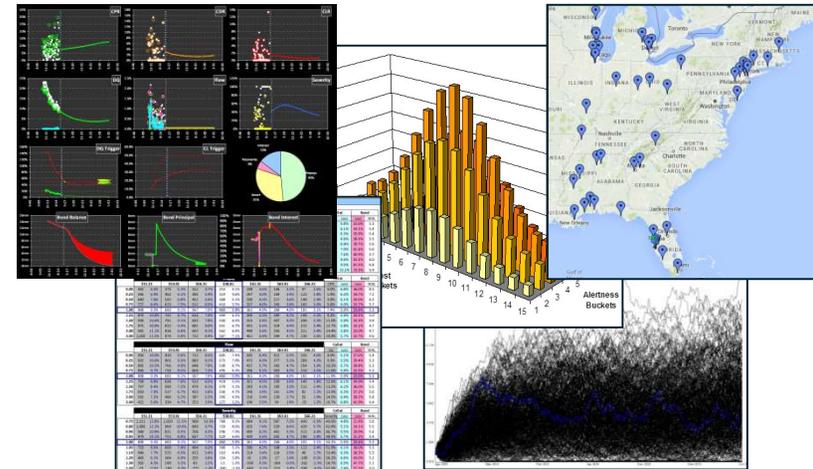
Risk and Portfolio Monitoring

Risk exposure monitoring, automatic refresh of valuations and risk measures, daily reports and intra-day monitors



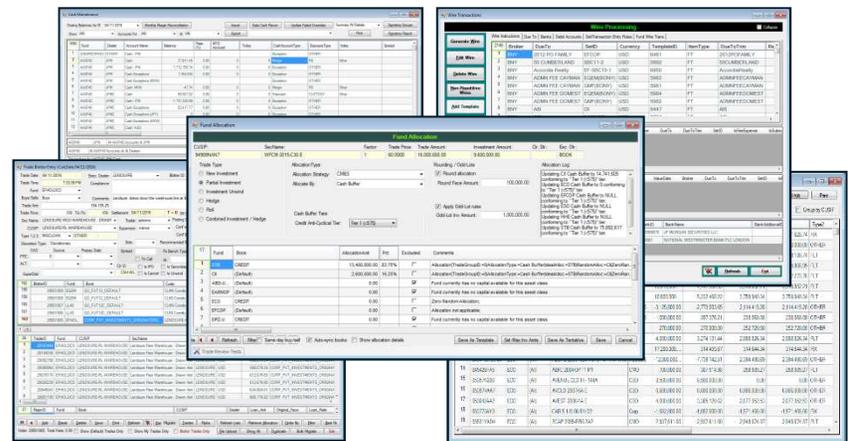
Trading and Research

Borrower behavior models, collateral surveillance, relative valuation monitoring within and among sectors



Operations and Compliance

Automated trade allocation, compliance monitoring, threshold monitoring, trade blotter, cash management, accounting systems



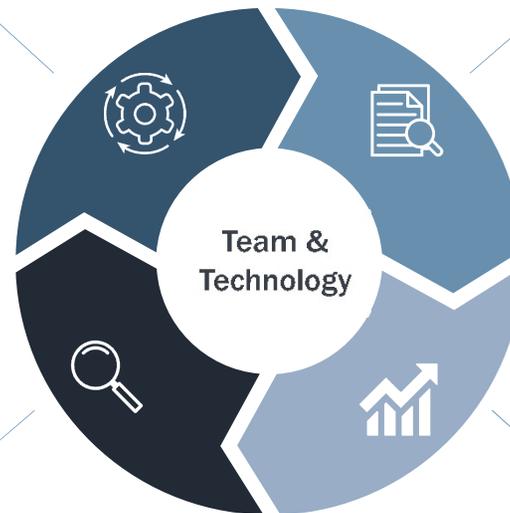
Robust infrastructure provides a constant, dynamic feedback loop between Research, Trading, Portfolio Management, and Oversight disciplines

Operations & Governance

- Automated trade allocation
- Threshold monitoring
- Trade blotter
- Cash management
- Accounting systems
- Compliance monitoring
- Disaster recovery
- Risk management
- Financial reporting

Risk Oversight

- Real-time monitoring capabilities
 - Credit risk scenarios and exposures
 - Historic / future shock scenarios
 - Geographic exposure
 - Natural disaster exposure
 - Tenant credit updates
 - Collateral changes
 - Interest rate scenarios
 - Liquidity
 - Operational, legal, and reputational risks



Data, Research & Trading

- Source, clean, link, aggregate and analyze data to build predictive models:
 - Loan-level analysis
 - Collateral surveillance
 - Relative valuation monitoring within and among sectors
 - Cash flow, credit, interest rate and prepayment models
 - Consumer behavior and financial data
- Automated refresh of valuations
- Real-time position modeling / tracking

Portfolio Management

- System maintains information on tens of thousands of financial instruments across over 40 instrument types
- Full range of fixed income, equities and their derivatives

Ellington is committed to corporate social responsibility. We recognize the importance of environmental, social and governance (“ESG”) factors, and believe that the implementation of ESG policies will benefit our employees, support long-term stockholder performance, and make a positive impact on the environment and society as a whole. Our Manager has a standing ESG Committee to address a variety of issues, including its impact on the environment, increasing the diversity of its workforce, employee engagement, and community involvement.



Environmental

- Our offices are conveniently located near mass transportation.
- We provide financial support and incentives to our employees who use public transit.
- To reduce energy usage, we use Energy Star® certified desktops, monitors and printers; and utilize motion sensor lighting and cooling to reduce energy usage in non-peak hours.
- To reduce waste and promote a cleaner environment, we use green cleaning supplies and kitchen products; recycle electronics, ink cartridges, and packaging; provide recycling containers to employees; and use water coolers to reduce waste.
- We have reduced the number of single use cups and plastic water bottles in our offices.



Social

- We invest in home mortgage loans, which support homeownership and stability within communities.
- Ellington and senior members of management sponsor numerous charitable causes, including several devoted to diversity and children in need. We also support employee charitable contributions through matching gift programs, hosting food drives, and other community events.
- Our employees have access to robust health and wellness programs. Ellington also supports various events that support health and wellness.
- We provide opportunities for personal growth with training, including facilitating a lunch & learn series, and reimbursing professional continuing education. We also support professional development through mentorship programs and affinity groups, such as a women’s networking group.
- We are committed to enhancing gender, racial, and ethnic diversity throughout our organization, as stated in our Manager’s Diversity and Inclusion Policy. We have engaged a women-owned recruiting firm focused exclusively on women and minority recruiting on college campuses.
- We are in compliance with applicable employment codes and guidelines, including ADA, Equal Opportunity Employment, Non-Discrimination, Anti-Harassment and Non-Retaliation codes.

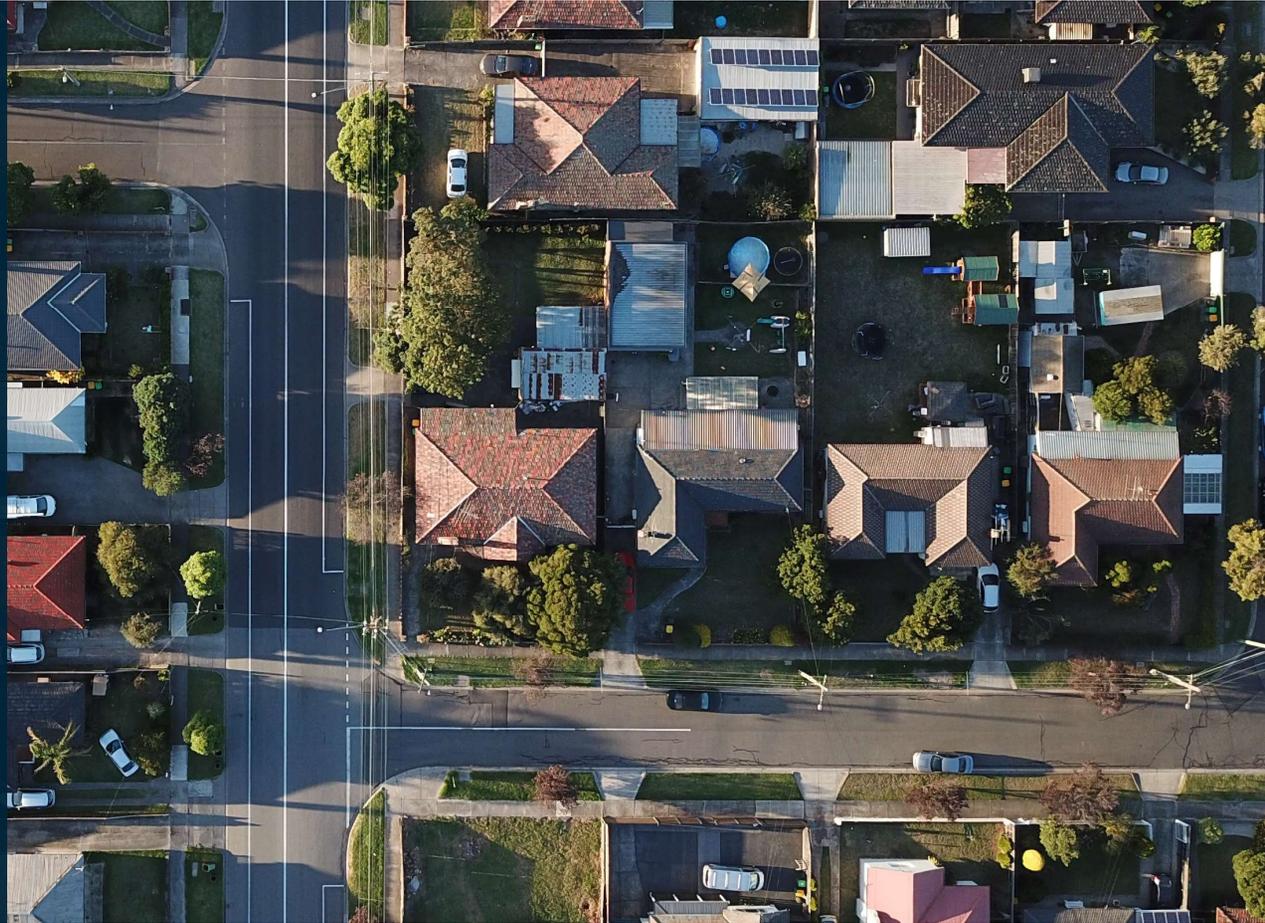


Governance

- Our Manager has a Responsible Investment policy incorporating ESG factors into its investment processes for applicable strategies.
- We operate under a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics.
- EFC has a separate independent Chairman, and the majority of Board members are independent.
- We hold annual elections of Directors.
- We are committed to significant disclosure and transparency, including an established monthly book value disclosure and dividend policy.
- We have an established Whistleblower policy to encourage transparency and accountability.
- Robust process for stockholder engagement.
- Strong alignment through 7% co-investment⁽¹⁾

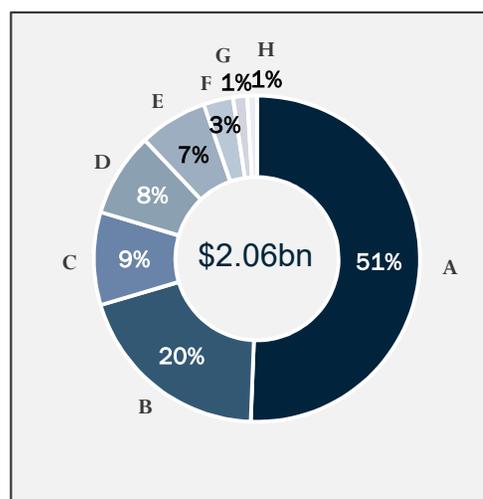
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Ellington Financial Inc.
(NYSE: EFC)



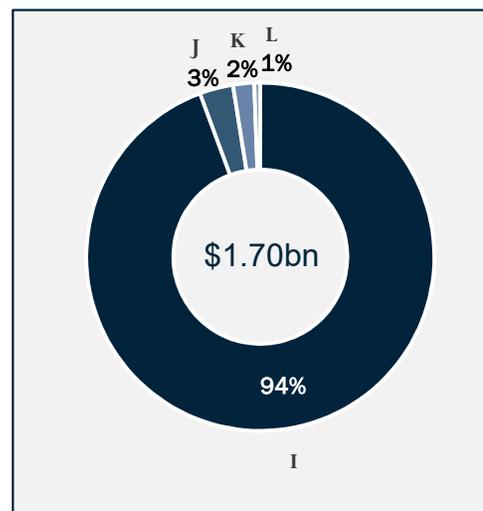
Diversified, proprietary portfolio of high-yielding, short-duration loans, and opportunistic securities

Long Credit Portfolio⁽²⁾



Category	Allocated Equity ⁽⁴⁾	Fair Value (\$000s)	Average Price (%) ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁹⁾	WAVG Life ⁽⁷⁾⁽⁹⁾	WAVG Mkt Yield ⁽⁸⁾⁽⁹⁾
A Residential Mortgage Loans and REO ⁽¹⁰⁾⁽¹¹⁾		\$ 1,055,724	101.3	2.8	5.6%
B CMBS and Commercial Mortgage Loans and REO ⁽¹¹⁾⁽¹²⁾		412,808	94.1	1.7	7.3%
C Non-Agency RMBS		191,728	81.2	5.1	6.6%
D Consumer Loans and ABS ⁽¹³⁾		153,124	-(6)	1.1	13.5%
E Debt and Equity Investments in Loan Origination Entities		141,315	N/A	N/A	N/A
F CLO ⁽¹³⁾		60,903	69.0	2.9	17.9%
G Non-Dollar MBS, ABS, CLO and Other ⁽¹³⁾⁽¹⁴⁾		29,164	72.3	1.7	7.7%
H Corporate Debt and Equity and Corporate Loans		20,128	49.9	2.4	17.3%
Total - Credit	82%	\$ 2,064,894	94.7	2.6	7.2%

Long Agency Portfolio⁽³⁾



Category	Allocated Equity ⁽⁴⁾	Fair Value (\$000s)	Average Price (%) ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁹⁾	WAVG Life ⁽⁷⁾⁽⁹⁾	WAVG Mkt Yield ⁽⁸⁾⁽⁹⁾
I Fixed-Rate Specified Pools		\$1,600,862	104.4	6.6	2.1%
J Reverse Mortgage Pools		53,010	104.8	4.2	2.2%
K IOs		33,288	N/A	4.3	7.9%
L Floating-Rate Specified Pools		9,456	103.5	4.6	2.6%
Total - Agency	18%	\$1,696,616	104.4	6.5	2.2%

Debt-to-Equity Ratio by Strategy and Overall

Credit	1.8x ⁽¹⁵⁾
Agency	7.1x ⁽¹⁵⁾
Overall	2.7x ⁽¹⁶⁾
Overall Recourse	2.0x ⁽¹⁷⁾

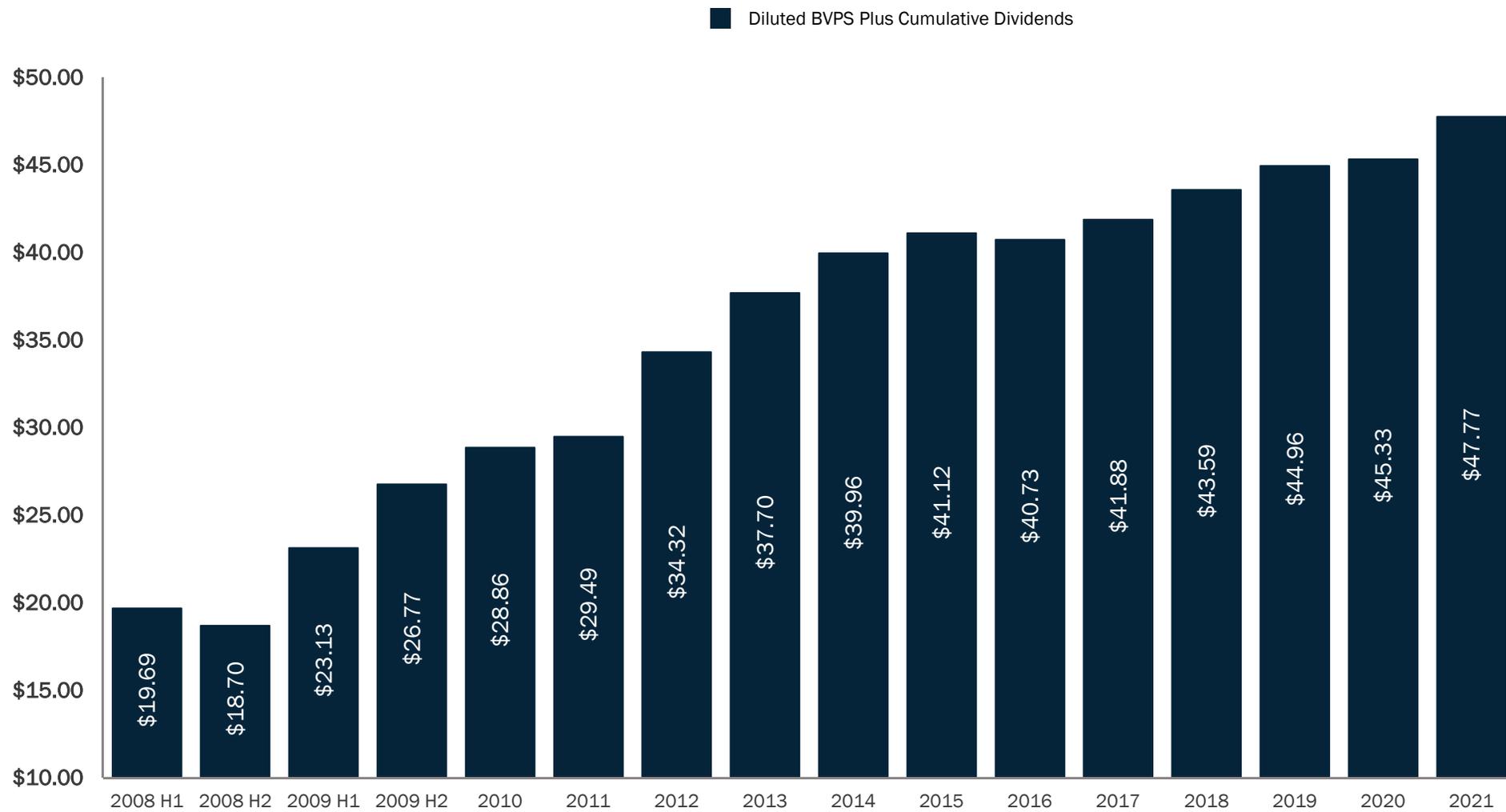
Ellington Financial's vertically integrated, proprietary loan origination businesses are designed to:

- Lock in a steady flow of high-quality loan originations
- Leverage Ellington's core strengths of data analysis and modeling to help shape the underwriting criteria of the loans
- Generate highly attractive ROE profiles
- Represent significant potential upside to book value
- Fill lending void left by banks facing strict post-global financial crisis regulations

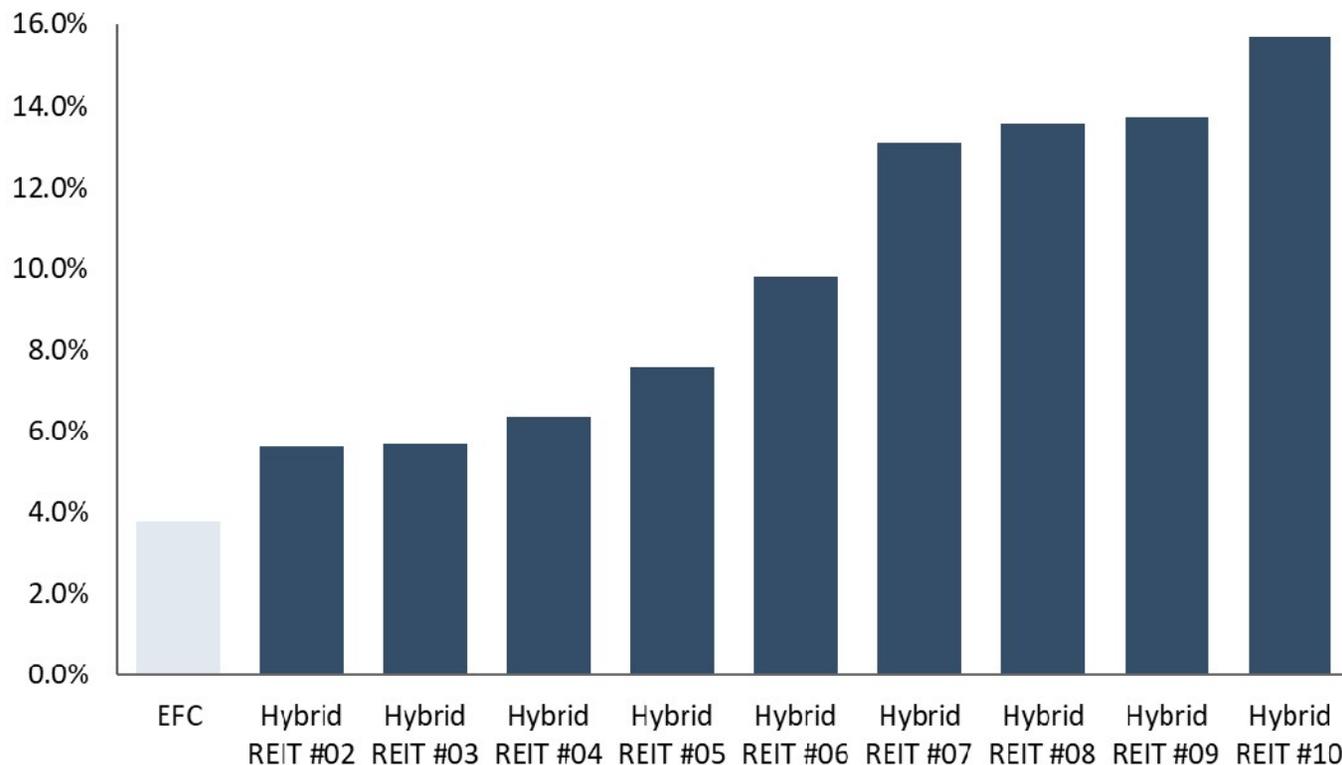
	1	2	3	4	5	
	Non-QM Loans ⁽¹⁾	Small Balance Commercial Loans ⁽²⁾	Residential Transition Loans	Consumer Loans	Reverse Mortgage Loans	
Strategic Originator Investment(s)	√	√	√	√	√	
Joint Ventures and/or Flow Agreements	√	√	√	√	-	
In-House Origination Team	-	√	√	-	-	
						Total
Loans Acquired During Quarter (\$mm)	\$431.5	\$191.2	\$158.4	\$34.1	-	\$815.2
Total Loan Fair Value at Quarter-End (\$mm)	\$735.6	\$458.4	\$292.3	\$135.2	-	\$1,621.5

EFC has successfully preserved book value over market cycles, while producing strong results for investors

- EFC life-to-date diluted net asset value-based total return from inception in August 2007 through Q4 2021 is approximately 277%, or 9.7% annualized⁽¹⁾



Standard Deviation of Quarterly Economic Returns of Hybrid REITs, Q1-2011 – Q3-2021⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾



Company	Standard Deviation
EFC	3.8%
Hybrid REIT #02	5.6%
Hybrid REIT #03	5.7%
Hybrid REIT #04	6.4%
Hybrid REIT #05	7.6%
Hybrid REIT #06	9.8%
Hybrid REIT #07	13.1%
Hybrid REIT #08	13.6%
Hybrid REIT #09	13.7%
Hybrid REIT #10	15.7%

- EFC has produced the most consistent quarterly returns among its peer group with significantly lower earnings volatility, thanks to EFC’s dynamic hedging strategies, diversification and active portfolio management

Generated a Gross Profit Every Year Since Inception

(\$ in thousands)

Years Ended

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Long: Credit	\$172,718 16.6%	\$63,052 7.3%	\$73,919 11.1%	\$61,201 10.0%	\$61,136 9.6%	\$36,203 5.3%	\$46,892 6.1%
Credit Hedge and Other	13,957 1.3%	(1,289) -0.1%	(11,237) -1.7%	8,020 1.3%	(11,997) -1.9%	(40,548) -5.9%	10,671 1.4%
Interest Rate Hedge: Credit	4,738 0.5%	(7,938) -0.9%	(1,345) -0.2%	115 0.0%	(851) -0.1%	(371) -0.1%	(4,899) -0.6%
Long: Agency	(17,885) -1.7%	45,957 5.3%	48,175 7.2%	(5,979) -1.0%	10,246 1.6%	17,166 2.5%	23,629 3.1%
Interest Rate Hedge and Other: Agency	17,031 1.6%	(33,672) -3.9%	(25,309) -3.8%	3,144 0.5%	(5,218) -0.8%	(8,226) -1.2%	(17,166) -2.2%
Gross Profit (Loss)	\$190,559 18.3%	\$66,110 7.6%	\$84,203 12.7%	\$66,501 10.9%	\$53,316 8.4%	\$4,224 0.6%	\$59,127 7.7%

COVID
Pandemic

(\$ in thousands)

Years Ended

	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Long: Credit	\$77,636 11.4%	\$109,536 18.5%	\$129,830 30.0%	\$1,505 0.4%	\$70,840 21.9%	\$101,748 36.3%	(64,565) -26.2%
Credit Hedge and Other	(1,197) -0.2%	(19,286) -3.3%	(14,642) -3.4%	19,895 5.2%	(7,958) -2.5%	10,133 3.6%	78,373 31.8%
Interest Rate Hedge: Credit	(9,479) -1.4%	8,674 1.5%	(3,851) -0.9%	(8,171) -2.1%	(12,150) -3.8%	(1,407) -0.5%	(3,446) -1.4%
Long: Agency	61,126 9.0%	(14,044) -2.4%	37,701 8.7%	63,558 16.5%	21,552 6.7%	22,171 7.9%	4,763 1.9%
Interest Rate Hedge and Other: Agency	(47,634) -7.0%	19,110 3.2%	(20,040) -4.6%	(54,173) -14.0%	(14,524) -4.5%	(8,351) -3.0%	(6,414) -2.6%
Gross Profit (Loss)	\$80,452 11.8%	\$103,990 17.6%	\$128,998 29.8%	\$22,614 5.9%	\$57,760 17.8%	\$124,294 44.4%	\$8,711 3.5%

Note: Percentages of average total equity during the period.

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Credit
Crisis

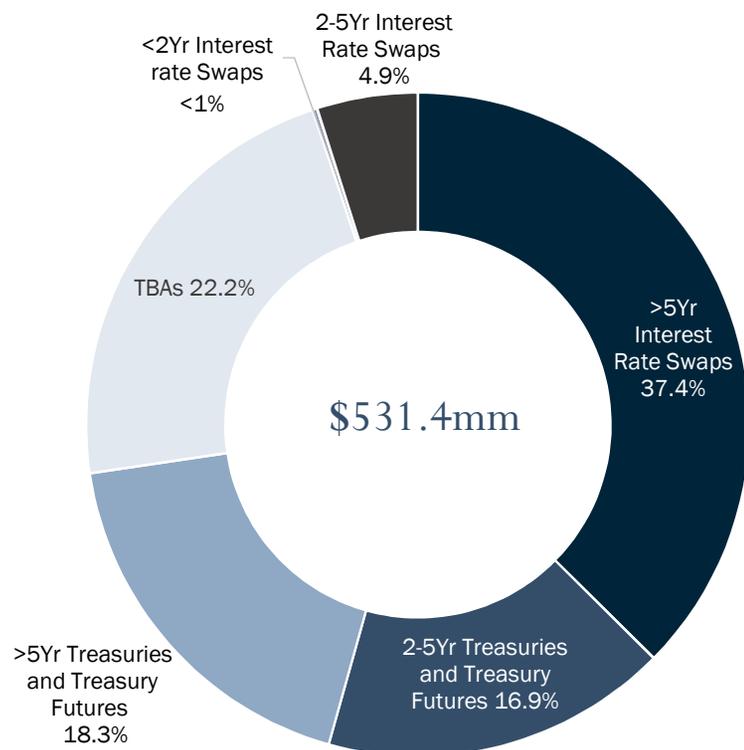
Estimated Change in Fair Value

(\$ in thousands)	50 Basis Point Decline in Interest Rates		50 Basis Point Increase in Interest Rates	
	Δ Fair Value	% of Total Equity	Δ Fair Value	% of Total Equity
Agency RMBS – Fixed Pools and IOs excluding TBAs	\$ 24,524	1.85%	\$ (33,201)	-2.51%
Long TBAs	6,354	0.48%	(7,880)	-0.60%
Short TBAs	(10,462)	-0.79%	14,959	1.13%
Agency RMBS-ARM Pools	232	0.02%	(218)	-0.02%
Non-Agency RMBS, CMBS, Other ABS, and Mortgage Loans	6,688	0.51%	(9,847)	-0.74%
Interest Rate Swaps	(15,467)	-1.17%	14,967	1.13%
U.S. Treasury Securities	(3,471)	-0.26%	3,320	0.25%
Eurodollar and Treasury Futures	(5,172)	-0.39%	5,067	0.38%
Corporate Securities and Other	8	0.00%	(7)	0.00%
Repurchase Agreements, Reverse Repurchase Agreements, and Senior Notes Outstanding	(1,180)	-0.09%	3,318	0.25%
Total	\$ 2,054	0.16%	\$ (9,522)	-0.72%
Less: Estimated Change in Fair Value attributable to Preferred Stock	(4,470)		4,369	
Estimated Change in Fair Value attributable to Common Stock	\$ (2,416)		\$ (5,153)	
As % of Common Equity	-0.22%		-0.47%	

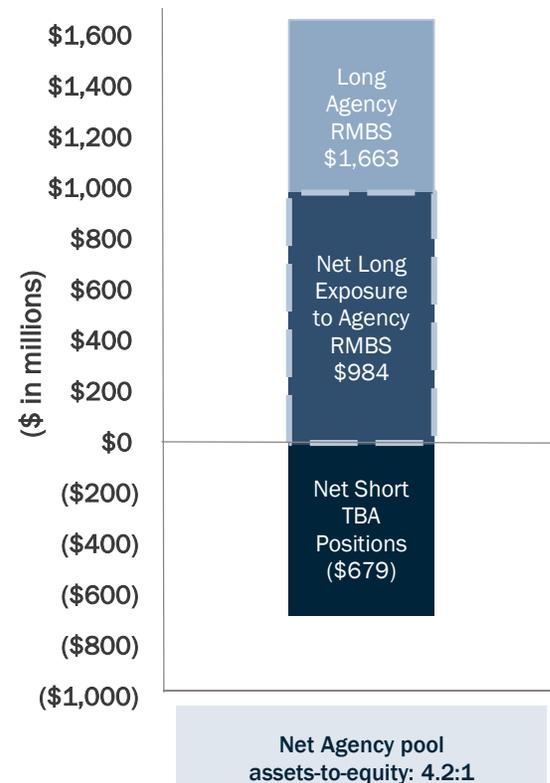
- EFC's dynamic interest rate hedging, along with the short duration of many of our loan portfolios, reduces our exposure to fluctuations in interest rates
- Diversified fixed income portfolio, after taking into account hedges, borrowings, and the interest rate sensitivity of preferred stock outstanding, results in an effective duration to the common stock of less than one year

We deploy a dynamic and adaptive hedging strategy to preserve book value

Agency Interest Rate Hedging Portfolio 12/31/21:
Short \$531.4mm 10-yr Equivalents⁽¹⁾



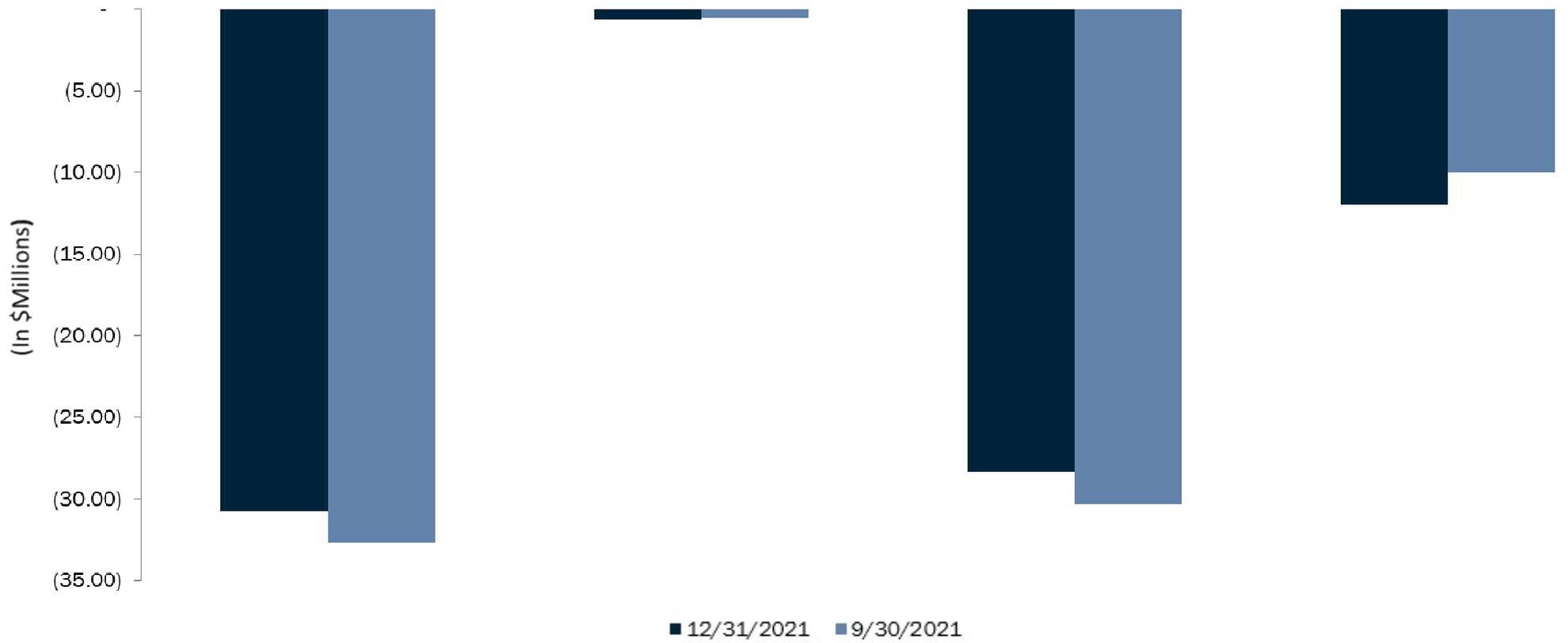
Net Agency Pool Exposure Based on Fair Value⁽²⁾



- We hedge along the entire yield curve to protect against volatility, defend book value and more thoroughly control interest rate risk
- EFC often carries significantly lower net effective mortgage exposure than our “headline” Agency leverage suggests
- Use of TBA short positions as hedges helps drive outperformance in volatile quarters
 - When interest rates spike, TBA short positions not only extend with specified pool assets, but they tend to extend more than specified pool assets, which dynamically and automatically hedges a correspondingly larger portion of our specified pool portfolio
- We also hedge interest rate risk with swaps, U.S. Treasury securities, and other instruments

Credit Hedging Portfolio⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Instrument Category	Corporate CDS Indices/ Tranches/ Options/ Single Names	Single Name ABS CDS and ABX Indices	European Sovereign Debt	CMBX
Units	HY CDX OTR Bond Equivalent Value ⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾	Bond Equivalent Value ⁽⁴⁾	Market Value	Bond Equivalent Value ⁽⁴⁾



- EFC's dynamic credit hedging strategy seeks to reduce book value volatility

Collateral Type	As of 12/31/2021		Three-Month Period Ended 12/31/21	
	Outstanding Borrowings	Weighted Average Borrowing Rate	Average Borrowings	Average Cost of Funds
Credit ⁽¹⁾	\$1,910,666	1.94%	\$ 1,539,383	2.21%
Agency RMBS	1,639,887	0.19%	1,545,022	0.19%
Borrowings – Credit and Agency RMBS	\$ 3,550,553	1.13%	\$ 3,084,405	1.20%
U.S. Treasury Securities	-	-	106	-0.12%
Borrowings – including U.S. Treasury Securities	\$3,550,553	1.13%	\$ 3,084,511	1.20%
Senior Notes, at par	86,000	5.80%	86,000	5.80%
Total Borrowings	\$ 3,636,553	1.24%	\$ 3,170,511	1.32%

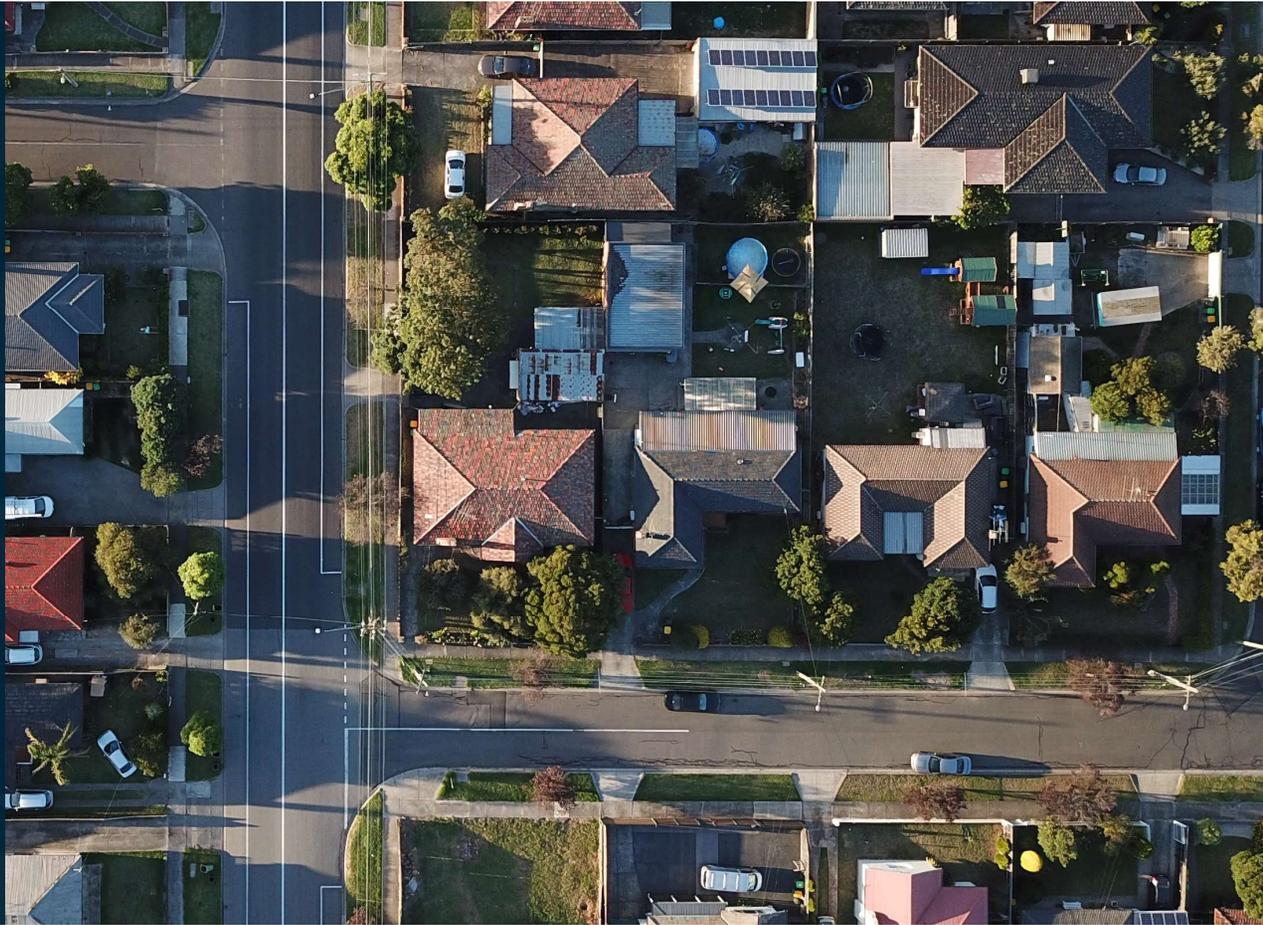
Recourse and Non-Recourse Leverage Summary⁽²⁾

As of 12/31/2021

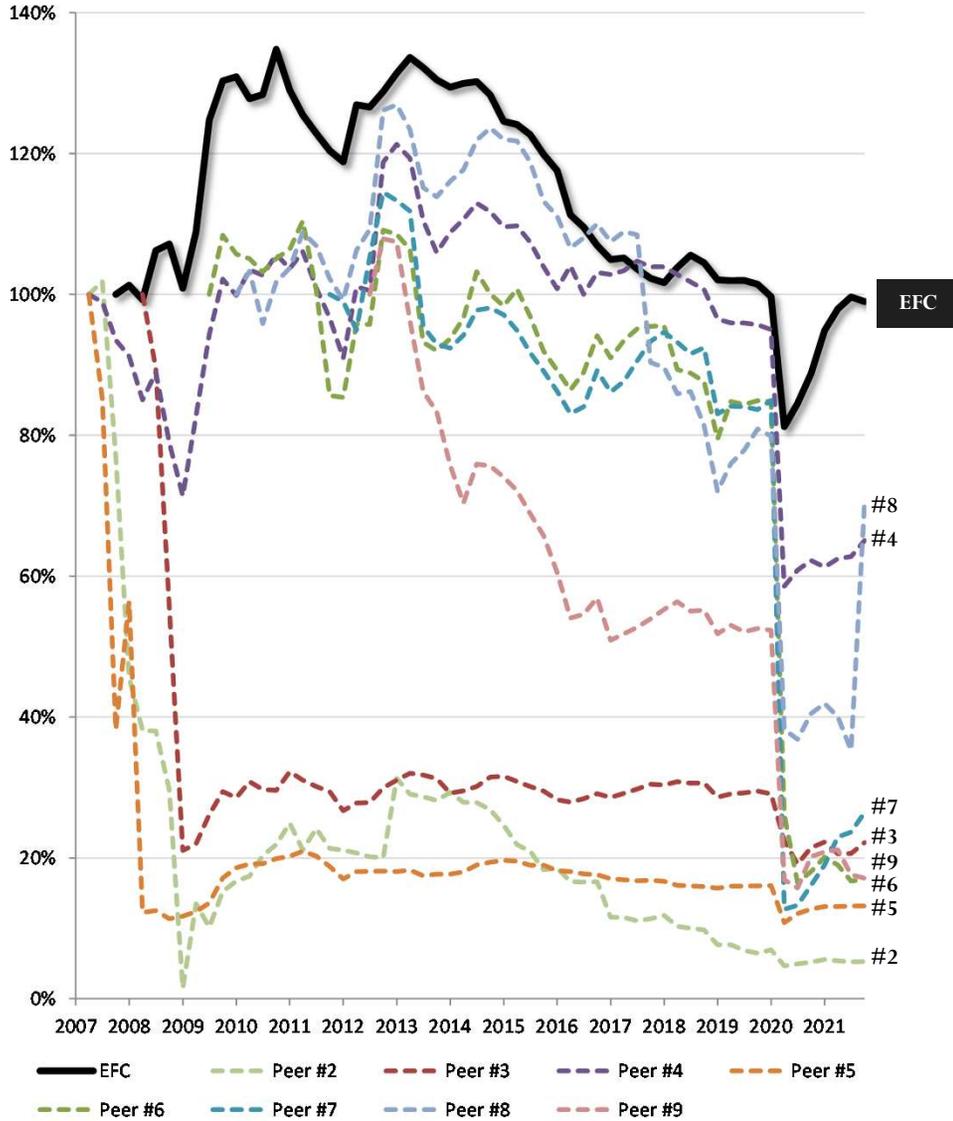
Recourse Borrowings	\$ 2,606,381	Recourse Debt-to-Equity Ratio ⁽³⁾	2.0:1
Non-Recourse Borrowings	\$ 1,030,171	<i>Net of unsettled purchases/sales</i>	2.0:1
Total Borrowings	\$ 3,636,553	Total Debt-to-Equity Ratio ⁽⁴⁾	2.7:1
Total Equity	\$ 1,323,556	<i>Net of unsettled purchases/sales</i>	2.8:1

Asset Type	Fair Value (\$MM) ⁽¹⁾
Residential Mortgage Loans and REO	\$ 443,375
Investments in Loan Origination Entities	137,815
Structured Products - Credit (CLOs, CMBS, Non-Agency RMBS)	41,896
Commercial Mortgage Loans and REO	137,365
Consumer Loans and ABS	18,258
Other	29,434
Total	\$ 808,143

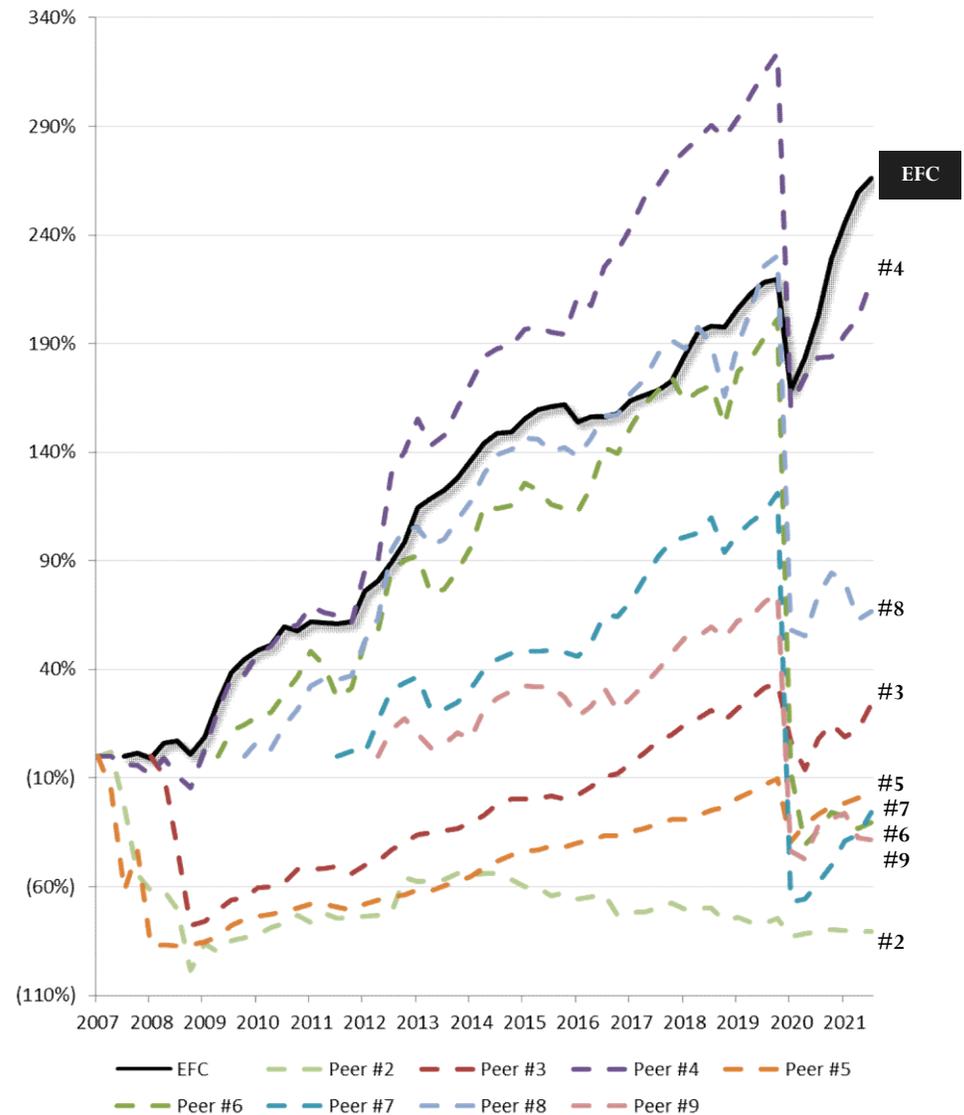
Supplemental Information



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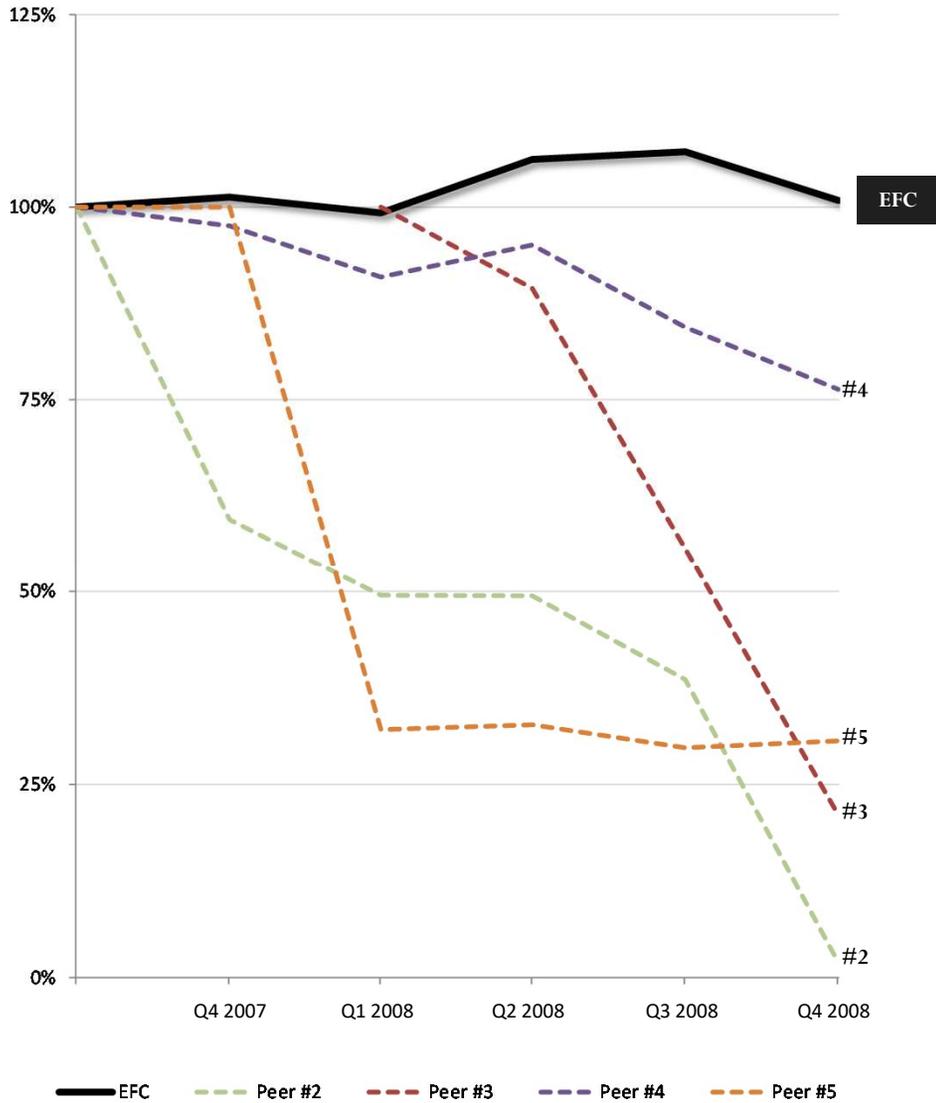


Cumulative Total Economic Return Since 3/31/2007

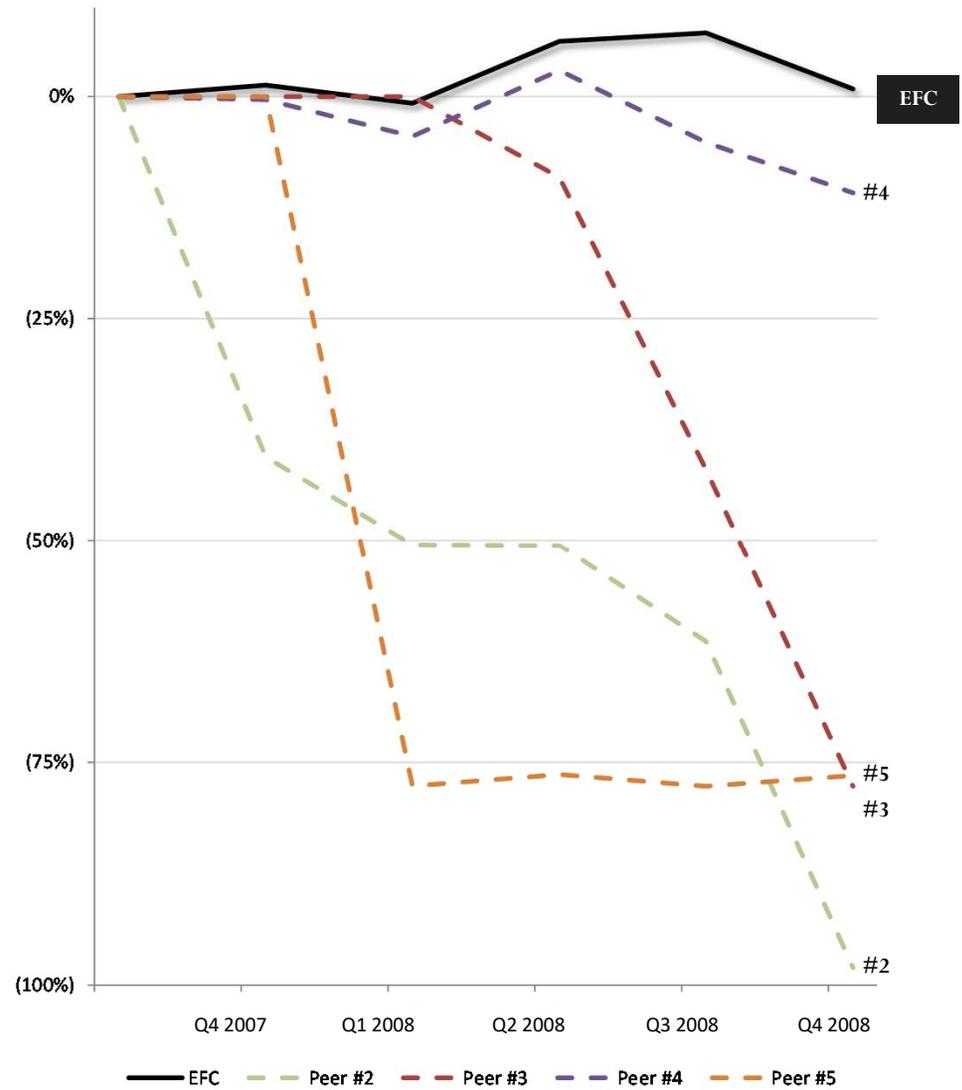


Note: EFC peers are other hybrid mortgage REITs. Above charts have been normalized for stock splits.

Percentage of 9/30/07 Book Value per Share, 9/30/07-12/31/08

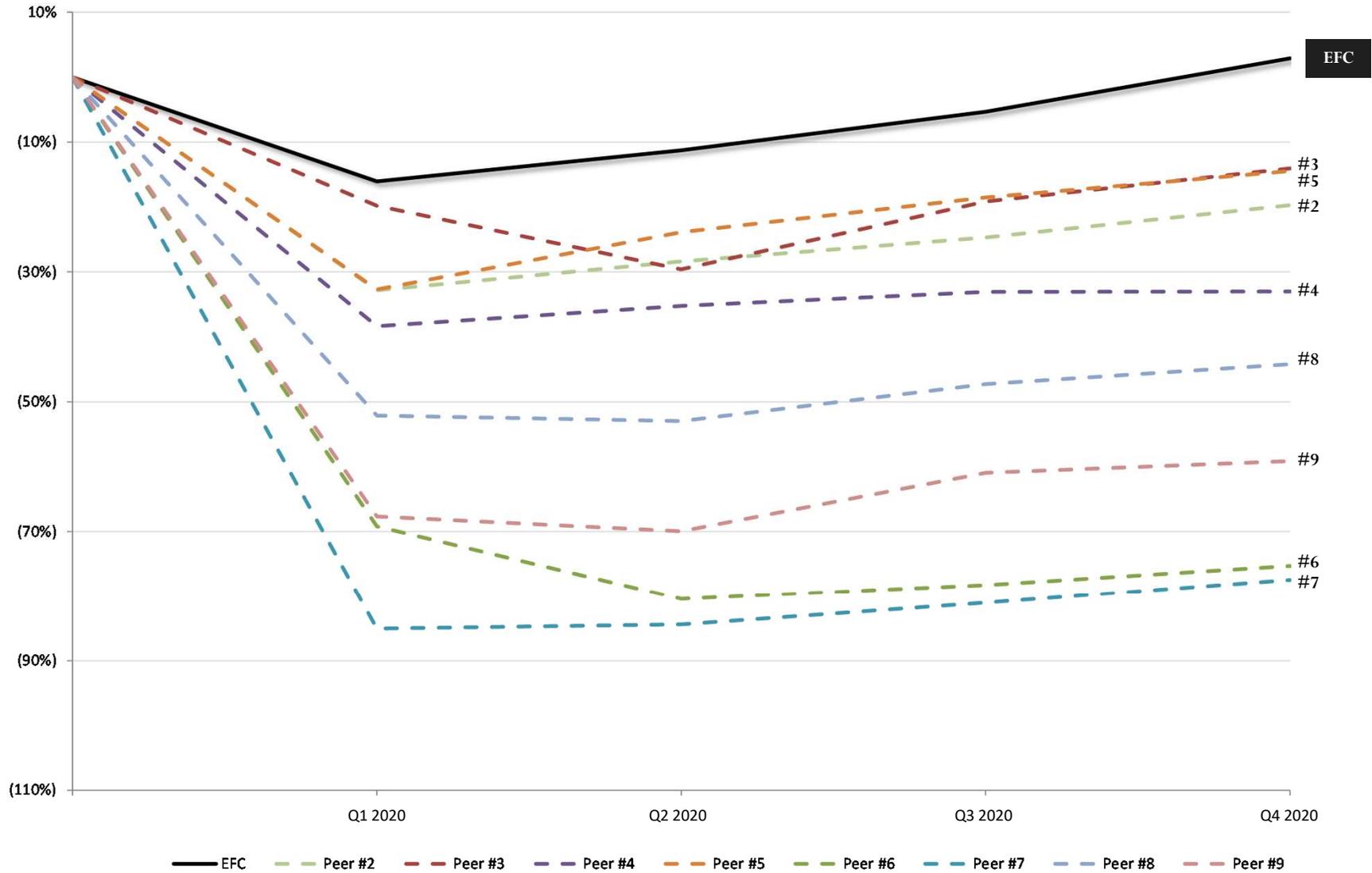


Cumulative Total Economic Return 9/30/07-12/31/08



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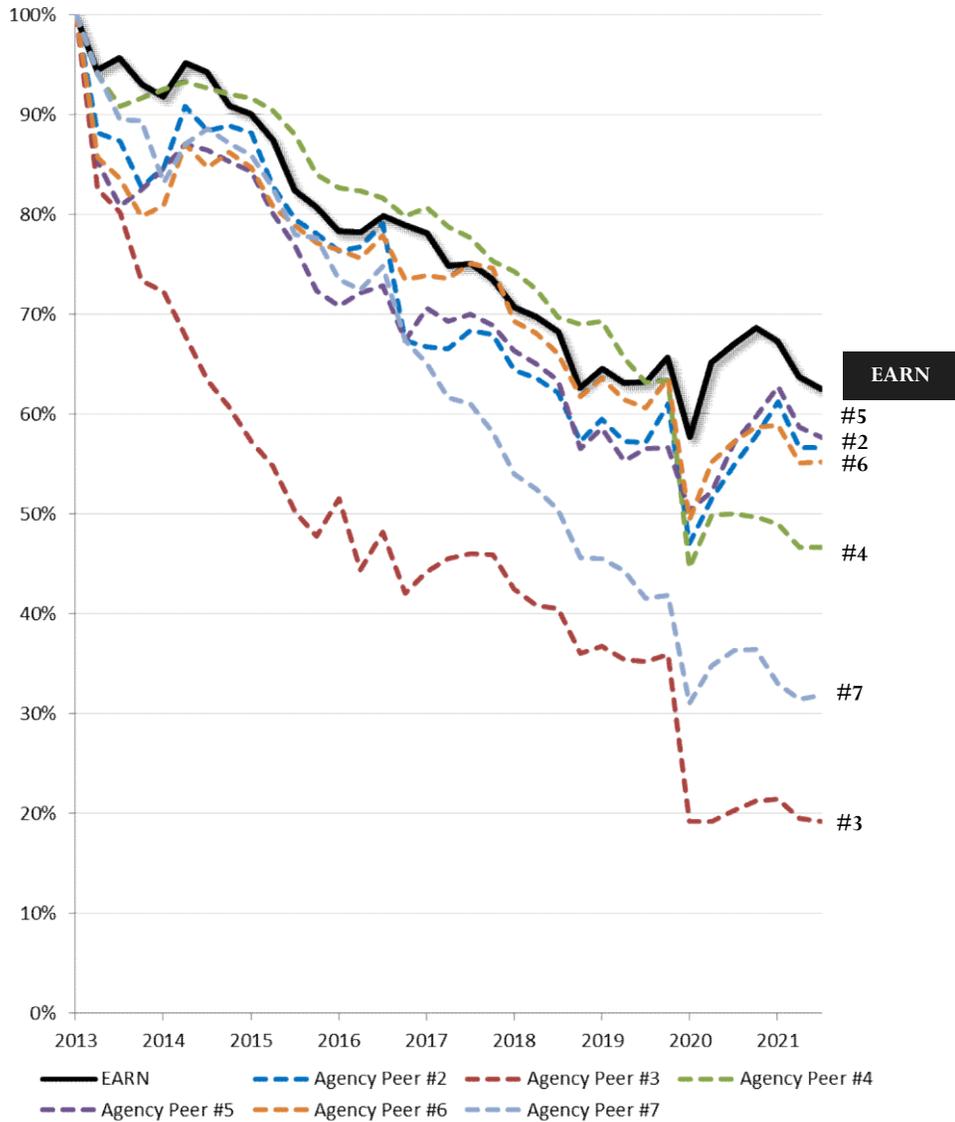
Hybrid REITs' 2020 Cumulative Total Economic Return



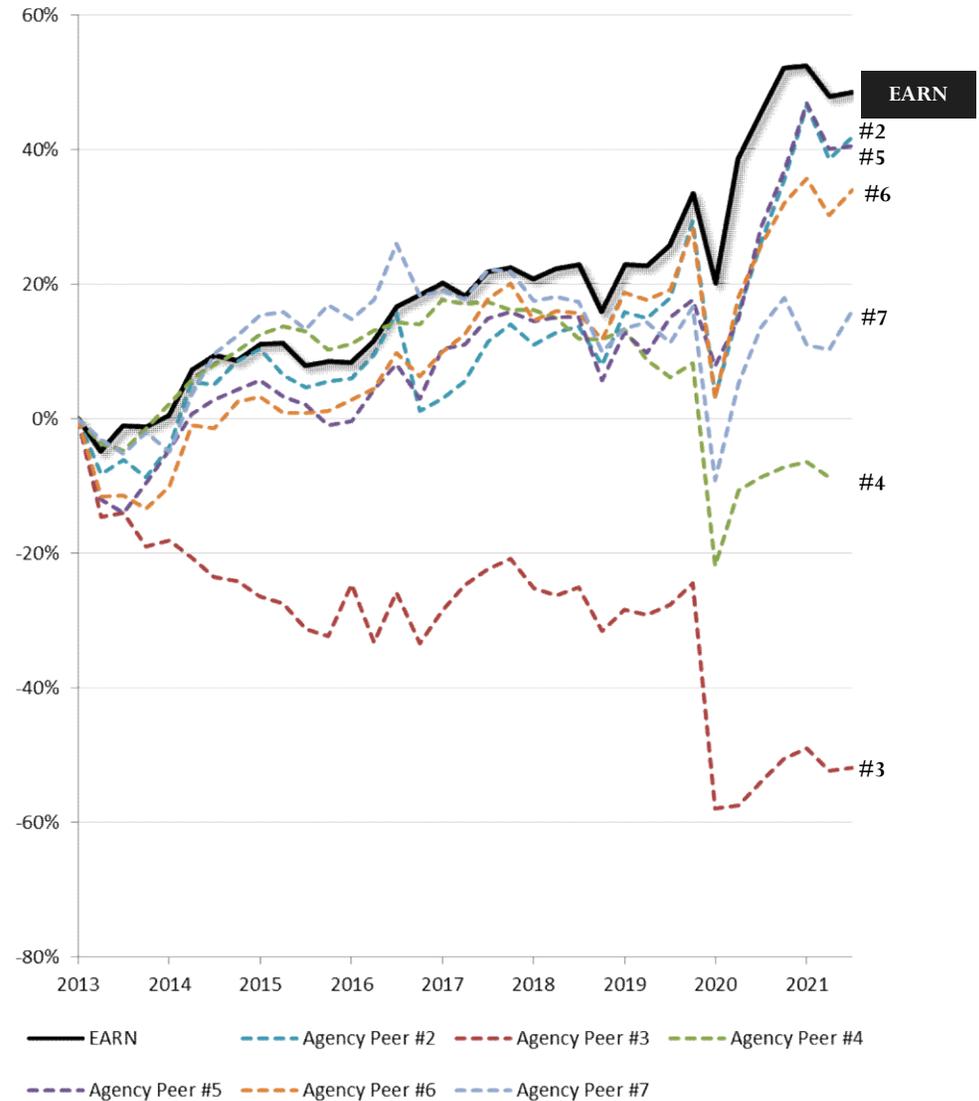
Note: EFC peers are other hybrid mortgage REITs. Above charts have been normalized for stock splits.

The Ellington platform also has deep expertise in managing Agency assets, as demonstrated by the performance of Ellington Residential Mortgage REIT (NYSE: EARN)

Percentage of 3/31/2013 Book Value per Share



Cumulative Total Economic Return Since 3/31/2013



Note: EARN peers are other agency RMBS mortgage REITs. Above charts have been normalized for stock splits.

1

Generated net income of \$2.58 per share, core earnings⁽¹⁾ of \$1.83 per share, economic return of 13.9%, and total return on common stock of 26%, following profitable 2020

2

Declared dividends of \$1.64, and increased monthly dividend by a cumulative 50%

3

Grew capital base by 39% through well-timed common equity and preferred equity raises

4

Fortified vertically integrated loan origination businesses with five incremental strategic equity investments in loan originators, and grew credit portfolio by 44% and agency portfolio by 77% over course of the year

5

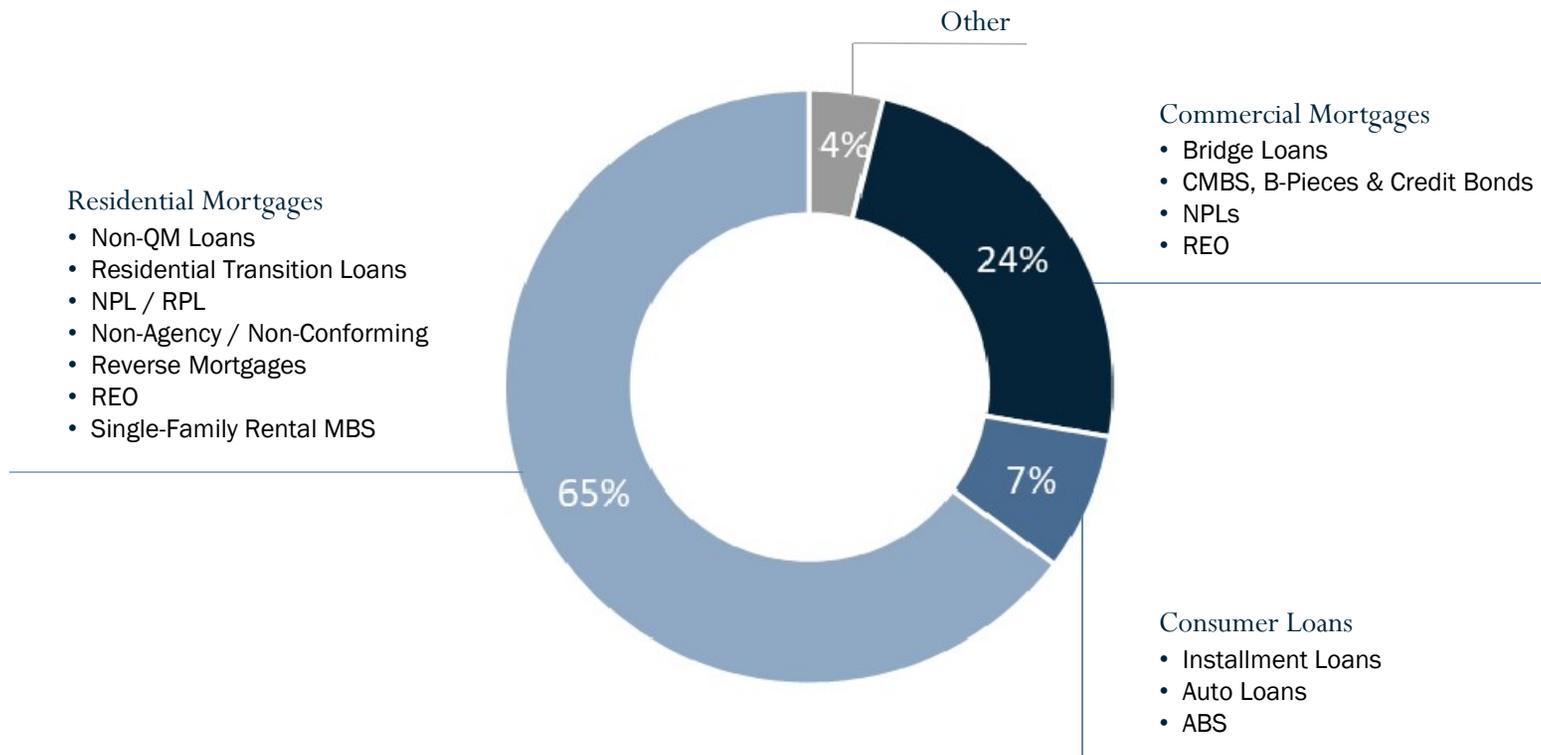
Completed three loan securitizations, and continued to add, extend, and improve sources of financing

6

Added to the S&P 600 SmallCap Index and to the KBW Nasdaq Financial Sector Dividend Yield Index

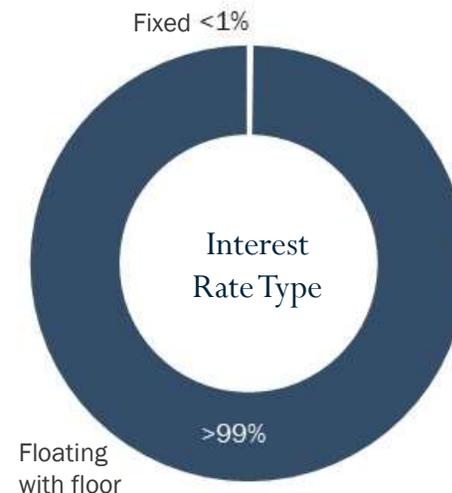
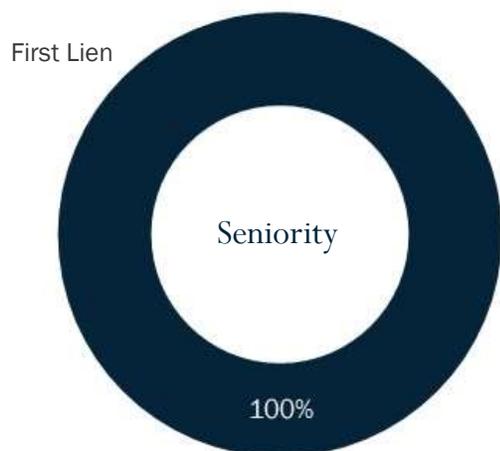
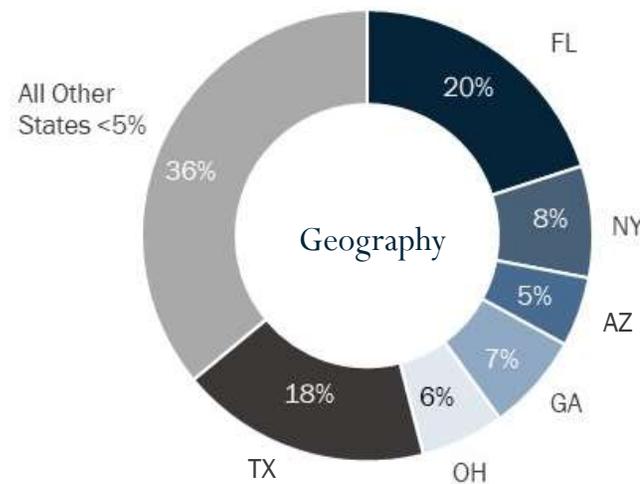
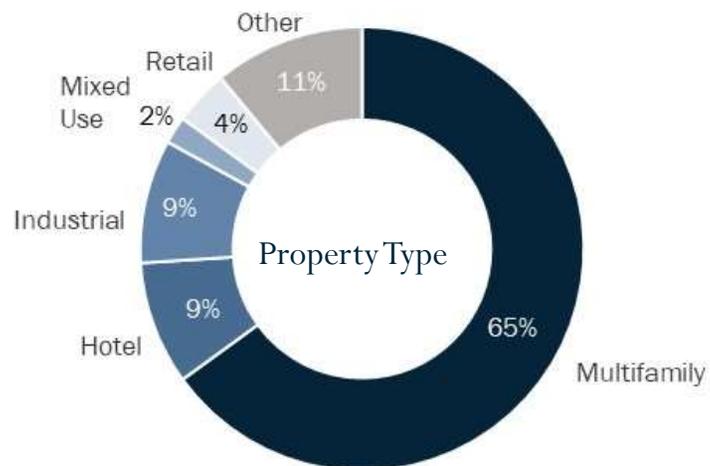
- 1 • Delivered a positive economic return and positive net income during an unprecedented year. One of the only publicly traded hybrid mortgage REITs to post a profit in 2020.
- 2 • Declared dividends of \$1.26 per share
- 3 • Disciplined risk and liquidity management protected book value and preserved liquidity during COVID-related volatility
- 4 • Avoiding forced sales and maintaining liquidity allowed us to participate in the market recovery in the aftermath of the crisis
- 5 • Supported loan origination businesses during the crisis, adding market share and achieving attractive margins throughout year
- 6 • Completed three loan securitizations, and added, extended, and improved sources of financing

Diversified sources of return to perform over market cycles



- Our flexible approach allocates capital to the sectors where we see the best relative value as market conditions change⁽¹⁾
- We believe that our analytical expertise, research and systems provide an edge that will generate attractive risk-adjusted returns over market cycles

Note: Percentages shown reflect share of total fair market value of credit portfolio⁽²⁾⁽³⁾



- Small balance commercial mortgage loan portfolio is well diversified geographically and across property types
- Nearly 90% of Q4 new originations were multifamily, and that property type now constitutes 65% of our small balance commercial mortgage portfolio
- All investments are first liens
- Vast majority of investments are floating rate loans that benefit from interest rate floors

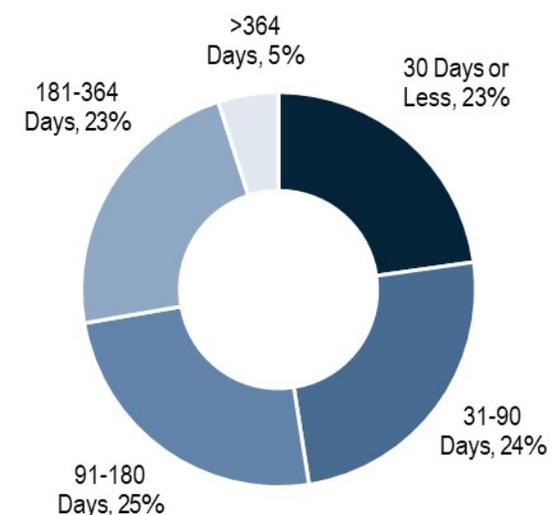
Repo Borrowings⁽¹⁾

(\$ in thousands)

Repo Borrowings as of December 31, 2021

Remaining Days to Maturity	Credit	Agency	U.S. Treasury	Total	% of Total Borrowings
30 Days or Less	\$ 377,440	\$ 180,059	\$ -	\$ 557,499	22.5%
31-90 Days	199,390	408,547	-	607,937	24.6%
91-180 Days	126,562	476,796	-	603,358	24.5%
181-364 Days	-	570,694	-	570,694	23.1%
>364 Days	126,484	3,791	-	130,275	5.3%
Total Borrowings	\$ 829,876	\$1,639,887	\$ -	\$ 2,469,763	100.0%
Weighted Average Remaining Days to Maturity	114	144	-	134	

Borrowings by Days to Maturity



- Repo borrowings with 23 counterparties, with the largest representing approximately 33% of total repo borrowings
- Weighted average remaining days to maturity of 134 days, a decrease of 13 days from September 30, 2021
- Maturities are staggered to mitigate liquidity risk

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations (Unaudited)

<i>(In thousands, except per share amounts)</i>	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Net Interest Income		
Interest income	\$ 175,505	\$ 173,531
Interest expense	(44,030)	(61,665)
Total net interest income	\$ 131,475	\$ 111,866
Other Income (Loss)		
Realized gains (losses) on securities and loans, net	5,017	(5,960)
Realized gains (losses) on financial derivatives, net	11,502	(31,521)
Realized gains (losses) on real estate owned, net	1,711	15
Unrealized gains (losses) on securities and loans, net	(30,802)	(25,783)
Unrealized gains (losses) on financial derivatives, net	10,355	989
Unrealized gains (losses) on real estate owned, net	(1,259)	(649)
Other, net	23,038	(2,298)
Total other income (loss)	19,562	(65,207)
Expenses		
Base management fee to affiliate (Net of fee rebates of \$2,593 and \$1,051, respectively)	13,422	11,508
Incentive fee to affiliate	15,658	-
Investment related expenses:		
Servicing expense	4,422	9,139
Debt insurance costs related to Other secured borrowings, at fair value	5,290	3,894
Other	8,832	5,111
Professional fees	5,416	5,005
Compensation expense	5,743	3,776
Other expenses	6,658	6,405
Total expenses	65,441	44,838
Net Income (Loss) before Income Tax Expense (Benefit) and Earnings from Investments in Unconsolidated Entities	85,596	1,821
Income tax expense (benefit)	3,144	11,377
Earnings (losses) from investments in unconsolidated entities	58,104	37,933
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 140,556	\$ 28,377
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to Non-Controlling Interests	7,093	3,369
Dividends on Preferred Stock	8,117	7,763
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to Common Stockholders	\$ 125,346	\$ 17,245
Net Income (Loss) per Common Share		
Basic and Diluted	\$ 2.58	\$ 0.39
Weighted average shares of common stock outstanding	49,215	43,486
Weighted average shares of common stock and convertible units outstanding	48,535	44,122

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet (Unaudited)

(in thousands, except share and per share amounts)

	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 92,661	\$ 111,647
Restricted cash	175	175
Securities, at fair value	2,087,360	1,514,185
Loans, at fair value	2,415,321	1,453,480
Investments in unconsolidated entities, at fair value	195,643	141,620
Real estate owned	24,681	23,598
Financial derivatives – assets, at fair value	18,894	15,479
Reverse repurchase agreements	123,250	38,640
Due from brokers	93,549	63,147
Investment related receivables	122,175	49,317
Other assets	3,710	2,575
Total Assets	\$ 5,177,419	\$ 3,413,863
Liabilities		
Securities sold short, at fair value	120,525	38,642
Repurchase agreements	2,469,763	1,496,931
Financial derivatives – liabilities, at fair value	12,298	24,553
Due to brokers	2,233	5,059
Investment related payables	39,048	4,754
Other secured borrowings	96,622	51,062
Other secured borrowings, at fair value	984,168	754,921
Senior notes, net	85,802	85,561
Base management fee payable to affiliate	3,115	3,178
Incentive fee payable to affiliate	3,246	-
Dividend payable	10,375	5,738
Interest payable	4,570	3,233
Accrued expenses and other liabilities	22,098	18,659
Total Liabilities	\$ 3,853,863	\$ 2,492,291
Equity		
Preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share, 100,000,000 shares authorized; 9,400,000 and 4,600,000 shares issued and outstanding, and \$235,000 and \$115,000 aggregate liquidation preference, respectively	\$ 226,939	\$ 111,034
Common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, 100,000,000 shares authorized; (57,458,169 and 43,781,684 shares issued and outstanding, respectively)	58	44
Additional paid-in-capital	1,161,603	915,658
Retained earnings (accumulated deficit)	(97,279)	(141,521)
Total Stockholders' Equity	\$ 1,291,321	\$ 885,215
Non-controlling interests	32,235	36,357
Total Equity	\$ 1,323,556	\$ 921,572
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 5,177,419	\$ 3,413,863
Supplemental Per Share Information:		
Book Value Per Common Share ⁽¹⁾	\$ 18.39	\$ 17.59

Reconciliation of Net Income (Loss) to Core Earnings⁽¹⁾

<i>(in thousands, except per share amounts)</i>	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 140,556	\$ 28,377
Income tax expense (benefit)	3,144	11,377
Net income (loss) before income tax expense	\$ 143,700	\$ 39,754
Adjustments:		
Realized (gains) losses on securities and loans, net	(5,017)	5,960
Realized (gains) losses on financial derivatives, net	(11,502)	31,521
Realized (gains) losses on real estate owned, net	(1,711)	(15)
Unrealized (gains) losses on securities and loans, net	30,802	25,783
Unrealized (gains) losses on financial derivatives, net	(10,355)	(989)
Unrealized (gains) losses on real estate owned, net	1,259	649
Other realized and unrealized (gains) losses, net ⁽²⁾	(14,628)	7,703
Net realized gains (losses) on periodic settlements of interest rate swaps	(2,277)	(2,038)
Net unrealized gains (losses) on accrued periodic settlements of interest rate swaps	(763)	219
Incentive fee to affiliate	15,658	-
Non-cash equity compensation expense	971	722
Negative (positive) component of interest income represented by Catch-up Premium Amortization Adjustment	(1,260)	4,523
Debt issuance costs related to other secured borrowings, at fair value	5,290	3,894
Non-recurring expenses	1,894	174
(Earnings) losses from investments in unconsolidated entities ⁽³⁾	(48,406)	(34,664)
Total Core Earnings	\$ 103,655	\$ 83,196
Dividends on preferred stock	8,117	7,763
Core Earnings attributable to non-controlling interests	6,621	4,532
Core Earnings Attributable to Common Stockholders	\$ 88,917	\$ 70,901
Core Earnings Attributable to Common Stockholders, per share	\$ 1.83	\$ 1.63



Diversified investment portfolio across residential mortgage, commercial mortgage, consumer loan, and corporate loan sectors



Proprietary portfolio of high-yielding, short-duration loans



Dynamic interest-rate and credit hedging designed to reduce volatility of book value and earnings



Strategic debt and equity investments in multiple loan originators



Diversified sources of financing, including long term non mark-to-market financing facilities and securitizations



Strong alignment with 7% co-investment⁽¹⁾

Slide 6 – About Ellington Management Group

- (1) \$13.3 billion in assets under management includes approximately \$1.2 billion in Ellington-managed CLOs. For these purposes, the Ellington-managed CLO figure represents the aggregate outstanding balance of CLO notes and market value of CLO equity, excluding any notes and equity held by other Ellington-managed funds and accounts. Assets under management includes information as of December 31, 2021.
- (2) Does not include partners formerly employed by Ellington who may have residual capital balances but who no longer have voting rights in the partnership.
- (3) Management and directors' ownership includes common shares, operating partnership units, and LTIP units held by officers and directors of EFC, and partners and affiliates of Ellington (including families and family trusts of the foregoing). Based on book value per share.
- (4) Registration with the SEC does not imply that the firm or any of its principals or employees possess a particular level of skill or training in the investment advisory or any other business.

Slide 7 – Ellington Management Group

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Slide 8 – Access to Experienced Management

- (1) Holds a seat on the Board of Trustees of EARN.
- (2) Holds a seat on the Board of Directors/Trustees of EFC and EARN.
- (3) As of December 31, 2021.

Slide 9 – Our Infrastructure Is A Competitive Advantage

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Slide 15 – Commitment to ESG

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Slide 17 – Portfolio Summary as of December 31, 2021

- (1) Includes REO at the lower of cost or fair value. Excludes hedges and other derivative positions.
- (2) Includes REO at the lower of cost or fair value. Excludes hedges and other derivative positions. For our consolidated non-QM securitization trusts, excludes tranches that were sold to third parties, but that are consolidated for GAAP purposes. Including such tranches, the Company's total long credit portfolio was \$3.026 billion as of December 31, 2021.
- (3) Agency long portfolio includes \$1.663 billion of long Agency securities and \$33.3 million of interest only securities as of December 31, 2021.
- (4) Of deployed capital, 82% allocated to credit and 18% to agency.
- (5) Average price excludes interest only, principal only, equity tranches and other similar securities and non-exchange traded corporate equity. All averages in this table are weighted averages using fair value, except for average price which uses current principal balance.
- (6) Average price of consumer loans and ABS is proprietary.
- (7) Weighted average life assumes "projected" cashflows using Ellington's proprietary models. Excludes interest only, principal only, equity tranches.
- (8) Estimated yields at market prices are management's estimates derived from Ellington's proprietary models based on prices and market environment as of December 31, 2021 and include the effects of future estimated losses. The above analysis should not be considered a recommendation to purchase or sell any security or class of securities. Results are based on forward-looking models, which are inherently imperfect, and incorporate various simplifying assumptions. Therefore, the table is for illustrative purposes only and the actual performance of our portfolio may differ from the data presented, and such differences might be significant and adverse.
- (9) REO and equity investments in loan origination entities are excluded from total average calculations.
- (10) For our consolidated non-QM securitization trusts, excludes tranches that were sold to third parties, but that are consolidated for GAAP purposes.
- (11) REO is not considered a financial instrument and as a result is included at the lower of cost or fair value.
- (12) Includes equity investments in unconsolidated entities holding small balance commercial mortgage loans and REO. Including our allocable portion of the fair value of small-balance commercial loans and REO of the equity investments in unconsolidated entities, our total CMBS and Commercial Mortgage Loans and REO was \$507.0 million.
- (13) Includes equity investments in securitization-related vehicles.
- (14) Includes an equity investment in an unconsolidated entity holding European RMBS.
- (15) Excludes repo borrowings on U.S. Treasury securities and borrowings at certain unconsolidated entities that are recourse to us. In determining the debt-to-equity ratio for an individual strategy, equity usage for such strategy is based on an internal calculation that reflects the actual amount of capital posted to counterparties in connection with such strategy's positions (whether in the form of haircut, initial margin, prime brokerage requirements, or otherwise) plus additional capital allocated to support such strategy's positions, net of adjustments for readily financeable assets and securities that may be sold to increase liquidity on short notice. The Company refers to the excess of its total equity over the total risk capital of its strategies as its "risk capital buffer". If the debt-to-equity ratios for individual strategies were computed solely based on the actual amount of capital posted to counterparties, such ratios would typically be higher. The debt-to-equity ratio does not account for liabilities other than debt financings.
- (16) Overall debt-to-equity ratio is computed by dividing EFC's total debt by EFC's total equity. The debt-to-equity ratio does not account for liabilities other than debt financings. Excludes repo borrowings on U.S. Treasury securities
- (17) Excludes repo borrowings on U.S. Treasury securities and borrowings at certain unconsolidated entities that are recourse to us. Including such borrowings, our debt-to-equity ratio based on total recourse borrowings is 2.0:1 as of December 31, 2021.

Slide 18 – Proprietary Loan Origination Businesses

- (1) For our consolidated non-QM securitization trusts, excludes loans in consolidated non-QM securitization trusts that were sold to third parties
- (2) Includes our allocable portion of the fair value of certain small-balance commercial loans, based on our ownership percentage, held in entities in which we and certain affiliates of Ellington have equity interests. Our equity investments in such entities are included in Investments in unconsolidated entities, at fair value on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Slide 19 – Total Return Since Inception

- (1) Total return is based on \$18.61 net diluted book value per share at inception in August 2007 and is calculated assuming the reinvestment of dividends at diluted book value per share and assumes all convertible units were converted into common shares at their issuance dates.

Slide 20 – Stable Economic Return

- (1) Source: Company filings.
- (2) Economic return is computed by adding back dividends to ending book value per share, and comparing that amount to book value per share as of the beginning of the quarter.

Slide 21 – Resilient Profit Generation Over Market Cycles

- (1) Gross profit excludes expenses other than interest expense and other investment related expenses. Figures in “%” columns are as a percentage of average total equity for the period which includes common and preferred equity as well as non-controlling interests.

Slide 22 – Interest Rate Sensitivity Analysis

- (1) The table reflects the estimated effects on the value of our portfolio, both overall and by category, of hypothetical, immediate, 50 basis point downward and upward parallel shifts in interest rates, based on the market environment as of December 31, 2021. The preceding analysis does not include sensitivities to changes in interest rates for instruments which we believe that the effect of a change in interest rates is not material to the value of the overall portfolio and/or cannot be accurately estimated. In particular, this analysis excludes certain corporate securities and derivatives on corporate securities, and reflects only sensitivity to U.S. interest rates. Results are based on forward-looking models, which are inherently imperfect, and incorporate various simplifying assumptions. Therefore, the table is for illustrative purposes only and actual changes in interest rates would likely cause changes in the actual value of our portfolio that would differ from those presented, and such differences might be significant and adverse.

Slide 23 – Agency Interest Rate Hedging Portfolio

- (1) Agency interest rate hedges are shown in normalized units of risk, with each group of positions measured in “10-year equivalents; “10-year equivalents” for a group of positions represent the amount of 10-year U.S. Treasury securities that would be expected to experience a similar change in market value under a standard parallel move in interest rates.
- (2) We define our net Agency pool assets-to-equity ratio as the net aggregate market value of our Agency pools of \$1.663 billion and our long and short TBA positions of \$(679) million, divided by the equity allocated to our Agency strategy of \$232 million, as of December 31, 2021. In determining the debt-to-equity ratio for an individual strategy, equity usage for such strategy is based on an internal calculation that reflects the actual amount of capital posted to counterparties in connection with such strategy’s positions (whether in the form of haircut, initial margin, prime brokerage requirements, or otherwise) plus additional capital allocated to support such strategy’s positions, net of adjustments for readily financeable assets and securities that may be sold to increase liquidity on short notice. The Company refers to the excess of its total equity over the total risk capital of its strategies as its “risk capital buffer”. If the debt-to-equity ratios for individual strategies were computed solely based on the actual amount of capital posted to counterparties, such ratios would typically be higher. The debt-to-equity ratio does not account for liabilities other than debt financings.

Slide 24 – Credit Hedging Portfolio

- (1) The Credit Hedging Portfolio excludes both legs of certain relative value trades which we believe do not affect the overall hedging position of the portfolio. Consequently, the amounts shown here may differ materially from those that would be shown were all positions in the included instruments displayed.
- (2) There can be no assurance that instruments in the Credit Hedging Portfolio will be effective portfolio hedges.
- (3) Corporate derivatives displayed in HY CDX OTR Equivalents represent the net, on-the-run notional equivalents of Markit CDX North American High Yield Index (the “HY Index”) of those derivatives converted to equivalents based on techniques used by the Company for estimating the price relationships between them and the HY Index. These include estimations of the relationships between different credits and even different sectors (such as the US high yield, European high yield, and US investment grade debt markets). The Company’s estimations of price relationships between instruments may change over time. Actual price relationships experienced may differ from those previously estimated.
- (4) Bond Equivalent Value represents the investment amount of a corresponding position in the reference obligation or index constituents, calculated assuming a price equal to the difference between (i) par and (ii) the tear up price. Corporate CDS Indices, Tranches, Options and Single Names are converted to HY CDX OTR Equivalents prior to being displayed as Bond Equivalent Values.

Slide 25 – Diversified Sources of Financing

- (1) Includes Other secured borrowings and Other secured borrowings, at fair value.
- (2) All of our non-recourse borrowings are secured by collateral. In the event of default under a non-recourse borrowing, the lender has a claim against the collateral but not any of the Operating Partnership's other assets. In the event of default under a recourse borrowing, the lender's claim is not limited to the collateral (if any).
- (3) Excludes repo borrowings on U.S. Treasury securities and borrowings at certain unconsolidated entities that are recourse to us. Including such borrowings, our debt-to-equity ratio based on total recourse borrowings is 2.0:1 as of December 31, 2021.
- (4) Overall debt-to-equity ratio is computed by dividing EFC's total debt by EFC's total equity. The debt-to-equity ratio does not account for liabilities other than debt financings. Excludes repo borrowings on U.S. Treasury securities.

Slide 26 – EFC Portfolio – Schedule of Unencumbered Assets as of December 31, 2021

- (1) Includes REO at the lower of cost or fair value. Excludes hedges and other derivative positions.

Slide 32 – EFC: 2021 in Review

- (1) Core Earnings is a non-GAAP financial measure. See slide 39 for a reconciliation of Core Earnings to Net Income (Loss).

Slide 34 – Diversified Credit Portfolio

- (1) Subject to maintaining our qualification as a REIT.
- (2) Excludes hedges and other derivative positions.
- (3) For our consolidated non-QM securitization trusts, only retained tranches are included (i.e., excludes tranches sold to third parties).

Slide 35 – Small Balance Commercial Mortgage Loan Portfolio - Detail

- (1) Percentages are of unpaid principal balance.
- (2) Includes our allocable portion of certain small-balance commercial loans, based on our ownership percentage, held in entities in which we and certain affiliates of Ellington have equity interests. Our equity investments in such entities are included in Investments in unconsolidated entities, at fair value on the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet.

Slide 36 – Repo Borrowings

- (1) Included in the table, using the original maturity dates, are any repos involving underlying investments we sold prior to December 31, 2021 for settlement following December 31, 2021 even though we may expect to terminate such repos early. Not included are any repos that we may have entered into prior to December 31, 2021, for which delivery of the borrowed funds is not scheduled until after December 31, 2021. Remaining maturity for a repo is based on the contractual maturity date in effect as of December 31, 2021. Some repos have floating interest rates, which may reset before maturity.

Slide 38 – Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet (Unaudited)

- (1) Based on total stockholders' equity less the aggregate liquidation preference of our preferred stock outstanding.

Slide 39 – Reconciliation of Net Income (Loss) to Core Earnings

- (1) We calculate Core Earnings as U.S. GAAP net income (loss) as adjusted for: (i) realized and unrealized gain (loss) on securities and loans, REO, financial derivatives (excluding periodic settlements on interest rate swaps), other secured borrowings, at fair value, and foreign currency transactions; (ii) incentive fee to affiliate; (iii) Catch-up Premium Amortization Adjustment (as defined below); (iv) non-cash equity compensation expense; (v) provision for income taxes and (vi) certain other income or loss items that are of a non-recurring nature. For certain investments in unconsolidated entities, we include the relevant components of net operating income in Core Earnings. The Catch-up Premium Amortization Adjustment is a quarterly adjustment to premium amortization triggered by changes in actual and projected prepayments on our Agency RMBS (accompanied by a corresponding offsetting adjustment to realized and unrealized gains and losses). The adjustment is calculated as of the beginning of each quarter based on our then-current assumptions about cashflows and prepayments, and can vary significantly from quarter to quarter. Core Earnings is a supplemental non-GAAP financial measure. We believe that the presentation of Core Earnings provides a consistent measure of operating performance by excluding the impact of gains and losses and other adjustments listed above from operating results. We believe that Core Earnings provides information useful to investors because it is a metric that we use to assess our performance and to evaluate the effective net yield provided by the portfolio. In addition, we believe that presenting Core Earnings enables our investors to measure, evaluate, and compare our operating performance to that of our peers. However, because Core Earnings is an incomplete measure of our financial results and differs from net income (loss) computed in accordance with U.S. GAAP, it should be considered as supplementary to, and not as a substitute for, net income (loss) computed in accordance with U.S. GAAP. The table above reconciles, for the years ended December 31, 2021 and December 31, 2020, our Core Earnings to the line on the Consolidated Statement of Operations entitled Net Income (Loss), which we believe is the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP measure.
- (2) Includes realized and unrealized gains (losses) on foreign currency and unrealized gain (loss) on other secured borrowings, at fair value included in Other, net, on the Condensed Consolidated Statement of Operations.
- (3) Adjustment represents, for certain investments in unconsolidated entities, the net realized and unrealized gains and losses of the underlying investments of such entities.

Slide 40 – Investment Highlights of EFC

- (1) Management and directors' ownership includes common shares, operating partnership units, and LTIP units held by officers and directors of EFC, and partners and affiliates of Ellington (including families and family trusts of the foregoing).

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