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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 10-Q
(Mark One) QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE X ACT OF 1934
For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2015
OR
TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from to
Commission File Number: 001-34374
ARLINGTON ASSET INVESTMENT CORP.  (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

54-1873198

Virginia

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) Identification No.)

1001 Nineteenth Street North
Arlington, VA
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(703) 373-0200

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes x No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (Sec. 232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes x No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer o Accelerated filer x Non-accelerated filer o Smaller reporting company o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act): Yes o No x

Number of shares outstanding of each of the registrant's classes of common stock, as of July 31, 2015:

Title Outstanding
Class A Common Stock

22,856,901
shares

Class B Common Stock 104,

104,716 shares

# ARLINGTON ASSET INVESTMENT CORP.

# **FORM 10-Q**

# FOR THE QUARTER ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

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### **PART I**

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## **Item 1. Financial Statements**

### ARLINGTON ASSET INVESTMENT CORP.

## CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Dollars in thousands)

	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
ASSETS	(unaudited)	(audited)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 20,840	\$ 33,832
Interest receivable	12,273	10,701
Sold securities receivable	51,690	10,701
	31,090	<del></del>
Mortgage-backed securities, at fair value Private-label	152,162	267,437
	4,154,387	3,414,340
Agency-backed		
Other investments	1,749	1,837
Derivative assets, at fair value	2,144	1,267
Deferred tax assets, net	113,121	122,365
Deposits	183,806	160,427
Other assets	2,498	2,283
Total assets	\$ 4,694,670	\$ 4,014,489
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Liabilities:		
Repurchase agreements	\$ 3,631,772	\$ 3,179,775
Interest payable	1,267	1,106
Accrued compensation and benefits	2,989	6,067
Dividend payable	21,089	20,195
Derivative liabilities, at fair value	144,936	124,308
Purchased securities payable	271,035	
Other liabilities	894	1,006
Long-term debt	75,300	40,000
Total liabilities	4,149,282	3,372,457
Commitments and contingencies	, ,	•

# **Equity:**

Total liabilities and equity	\$4,694,670	4,014,489	
Total equity	545,388	642,032	
Accumulated deficit	(1,367,966)	(1,291,097	)
respectively	14,707	33,012	
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of taxes of \$4,418 and \$11,666,	14,907	35,872	
Additional paid-in capital	1,898,217	1,897,027	
104,716 and 105,869 shares issued and outstanding, respectively	1	1	
Class B common stock, \$0.01 par value, 100,000,000 shares authorized,	1	1	
22,856,901 and 22,860,922 shares issued and outstanding, respectively	229	229	
Class A common stock, \$0.01 par value, 450,000,000 shares authorized,	229	229	
outstanding	_	_	
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value, 25,000,000 shares authorized, none issued and			

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

### ARLINGTON ASSET INVESTMENT CORP.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

(Unaudited)

	Three Mon	ths Ended June	Six Month 30,	s Ended June
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Interest income	\$ 38,690	\$ 30,063	\$ 75,654	\$ 53,930
Interest expense				
Interest on short-term debt	3,395	2,124	6,475	3,858
Interest on long-term debt	1,180	552	1,828	1,103
Total interest expense	4,575	2,676	8,303	4,961
Net interest income	34,115	27,387	67,351	48,969
Investment (loss) gain, net	(18,036	) 7,906	(77,407	) 1,992
Operating income (loss) before other expenses	16,079	35,293	(10,056	) 50,961
Other expenses				
Compensation and benefits	2,669	3,185	5,081	6,146
Professional services	321	395	451	911
Insurance	105	105	210	210
Occupancy and equipment	124	120	240	219
Board of director fees	304	264	542	495
Other operating expenses	308	311	615	554
Total other expenses	3,831	4,380	7,139	8,535
Income (loss) before income taxes	12,248	30,913	(17,195	) 42,426
Income tax provision	5,647	12,074	18,389	16,554
Net income (loss)	\$ 6,601	\$ 18,839	\$ (35,584	) \$ 25,872
Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$ 0.29	\$ 0.95	\$ (1.55	) \$ 1.42
Diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$ 0.29	\$ 0.94	\$ (1.55	) \$ 1.39
Weighted-average shares outstanding (in thousands)				
Basic	22,979	19,740	22,976	18,282
Diluted	23,098	20,060	22,976	18,579
Other comprehensive (loss) income, net of taxes				
Unrealized gains (losses) for the period on	<b>.</b> 4.60	<b>* * * * * * * * *</b>	<b></b>	\
available-for-sale securities (net of taxes of \$108, \$957, \$(1,407), and \$1,630, respectively)	\$ 169	\$ 1,504	\$ (2,521	) \$ 2,561
Reclassification				
	(13,279	) (2,791	(18,444	) (5,952 )

Included in investment gains (loss), net, in the statement of comprehensive income related to sales of available-for-sale securities (net of taxes of \$(4,312), \$(1,752), \$(5,841), and \$(3,183), respectively)

Included in investment gain (loss), net, in the statement of comprehensive income related to other-than-temporary impairment charges on available-for-sale securities (net of taxes of \$-0-, \$31, \$-0-, and \$31, respectively)

Comprehensive (loss) income \$(6,509) \$17,601 \$(56,549) \$22,530

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

### ARLINGTON ASSET INVESTMENT CORP.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

(Dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Class A Common Stock (#)	Class A Amoun (\$)	Class B Common tStock (#)	Class B Amour (\$)	Additional Paid-In Capital	Accumulate Other Comprehens Income	Accumulated	Total
Balances, December 31, 2013	16,047,965	\$ 160	554,055	\$ 6	\$1,727,398	\$ 46,269	\$(1,222,005)	\$551,828
Net income Conversion of Class	_	_	_		_	_	5,954	5,954
B common stock to Class A common stock	448,186	5	(448,186)	(5)	_	_	_	_
Issuance of common stock	6,419,247	64	_		166,819	_	_	166,883
Repurchase of common stock under stock-based compensation plans	(54,476 )	_	_	_	(1,478 )	_	_	(1,478 )
Stock-based compensation Income tax benefit	_	_	_	_	3,813	_	_	3,813
from stock-based compensation	_	_	_	_	475	_	_	475
Other comprehensive loss	_	_		_		(10,397	) —	(10,397)
Dividends declared	_	_	_	_	_	_	(75,046 )	(75,046)
Balances, December 31, 2014	22,860,922	229	105,869	1	1,897,027	35,872	(1,291,097)	642,032
Net loss Conversion of Class	_	_	_	_	_	_	(35,584)	(35,584)
B common stock to Class A common stock Repurchase of	1,153	_	(1,153 )		_	_	_	_
common stock under stock-based compensation plans	(5,174 )	_	_	_	(102)	_	_	(102 )

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Stock-based compensation	_				478		_	478
Income tax benefit								
from stock-based compensation	_				814	_	_	814
Other comprehensive loss	_	_	_	_	_	(20,965	) —	(20,965)
Dividends declared		_	_		_	_	(41,285	) (41,285)
Balances, June 30, 2015	22,856,901	\$ 229	104,716	\$ 1	\$1,898,217	\$ 14,907	\$(1,367,966	\$545,388

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

## ARLINGTON ASSET INVESTMENT CORP.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Dollars in thousands)

(Unaudited)

	Six Months 30,	Ended June
	2015	2014
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net (loss) income	\$(35,584	) \$25,872
Adjustments to reconcile net (loss) income to net cash provided by operating activities		
Net investment loss (gain)	77,407	(1,992)
Net discount accretion on mortgage-backed securities	(5,023	) (6,725 )
Deferred tax provision	16,492	15,704
Other	377	1,264
Changes in operating assets		
Interest receivable	(1,572	) (3,735 )
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(2,930	) (7,997 )
Changes in operating liabilities		
Accounts payable and other liabilities	62	(9)
Accrued compensation and benefits	(3,078	) (2,727 )
Net cash provided by operating activities	46,151	19,655
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchases of private-label mortgage-backed securities	(2,870	) —
Purchases of agency-backed mortgage-backed securities	(1,041,142	
Proceeds from sales of private-label mortgage-backed securities	103,811	37,231
Proceeds from sales of agency-backed mortgage-backed securities	233,639	_
Receipt of principal payments on private-label mortgage-backed	1,295	1,384
securities	•	
Receipt of principal payments on agency-backed mortgage-backed securities	244,702	78,427
Payments for derivatives and deposits, net	, ,	) (73,238 )
Other	364	13
Net cash used in investing activities	(505,608	) (1,209,681)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Proceeds from repurchase agreements, net	451,997	1,118,621
Proceeds from stock issuance, net	<del></del>	81,669
Proceeds from long-term debt issuance, net	34,063	_
Excess tax benefits associated with stock-based awards	814	_
Dividends paid	, ,	) (31,938 )
Net cash provided by financing activities	446,465	1,168,352
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(12,992	) (21,674 )

Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	33,832	48,628
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$20,840	\$26,954
Supplemental cash flow information		
Cash payments for interest	\$8,050	\$4,813
Cash payments for taxes	\$103	\$789

#### ARLINGTON ASSET INVESTMENT CORP.

#### NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Dollars in thousands, except per share data)

(Unaudited)

#### **Note 1. Basis of Presentation:**

The consolidated financial statements of Arlington Asset Investment Corp. ("Arlington Asset") and its consolidated subsidiaries (unless the context otherwise provides, collectively, the "Company") have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q. Therefore, they do not include all information required by GAAP for complete financial statements. The interim financial statements reflect all adjustments (consisting only of normal recurring adjustments) which are, in the opinion of management, necessary for a fair statement of the results for the periods presented. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. The results of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 are not necessarily indicative of the operating results for the entire year or any other subsequent interim period. The Company's unaudited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto should be read in conjunction with the Company's audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.

The preparation of the Company's financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the Company to make estimates and assumptions affecting the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Although the Company based the estimates and assumptions on historical experience, when available, market information, and on various other factors that the Company believes to be reasonable under the circumstances, management exercises significant judgment in the final determination of the estimates. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Certain amounts in the consolidated financial statements and notes for prior periods have been reclassified to conform to the current period presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on the results of operations of the Company.

#### **Note 2. Updates to Significant Accounting Policies:**

Interest Income Recognition for Investments in Private-label Mortgage-backed Securities Classified as Trading Securities

In the second quarter of 2015, the Company acquired private-label mortgage-backed securities ("MBS") that it classified as trading securities. Interest income on private-label MBS classified as trading securities that, at the time of acquisition, are not considered to be of high credit quality or may be contractually prepaid or otherwise settled in such a way that the Company would not recover substantially all of its initial recorded investment is recognized using the prospective effective interest method. In applying the prospective effective interest method, the Company, at the time of acquisition, determines the security's effective interest rate by solving for the single discount rate that equates the present value of the Company's estimate of the amount and timing of the cash flows expected to be collected from the security to its purchase price. Subsequent to acquisition, the amount of periodic interest income recognized is determined by applying the security's effective interest rate to its amortized purchase price, or "reference amount."

In each subsequent reporting period, the Company will re-estimate the amount and timing of cash flows expected to be collected from the security. If actual cash flows exceed prior estimates and/or a positive change occurs in the estimate of expected remaining cash flows, a revised effective interest rate will be calculated such that the positive change in cash flows is recognized as incremental interest income over the remaining life of the security. If actual cash flows fall short of prior estimates and/or an adverse change occurs in the estimate of expected remaining cash flows, the amount of periodic interest income recognized over the remaining life of the security will be reduced accordingly. Specifically, if an adverse change in cash flows occurs for a security that is impaired (that is, its reference amount exceeds its fair value), the reference amount to which the security's existing effective interest rate will be prospectively applied will be reduced to the present value of cash flows occurs for a security that is not impaired, the security's effective interest rate. If an adverse change in cash flows occurs for a security that is not impaired, the security's effective interest rate will be reduced accordingly and applied on a prospective basis.

#### **Note 3. Financial Instruments:**

### Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The accounting principles related to fair value measurements define fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date, not adjusted for transaction costs. Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* ("ASC 820"), establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three broad levels giving the highest priority to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3) as described below:

Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that are accessible by the Inputs — Company;

Level 2 Quoted prices in markets that are not active or financial instruments for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly; and

Level 3 Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, including significant assumptions of the Company and other market participants.

The Company determines fair values for the following assets and liabilities:

Mortgage-backed securities, at fair value —

Agency-backed MBS — The Company's MBS for which the principal and interest payments are guaranteed by the Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae") or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("Freddie Mac") (collectively, "agency-backed MBS"), are classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy as they are valued using inputs primarily from third-party pricing services as well as considering quoted market prices for similar assets provided by a broker or dealer with reasonable levels of price transparency. In determining fair value, third party pricing sources use various valuation approaches including market and income approaches. The Company makes inquiries of the third party pricing sources to understand the significant inputs and assumptions they used to determine their prices. The Company reviews the various third party fair value estimates and performs procedures to validate their reasonableness, including comparison to recent trading activity for similar securities and management review for consistency with market conditions observed as of the measurement date.

Private-label MBS — The Company classifies non-agency-backed, or private-label, MBS within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy because they trade infrequently and, therefore, have little or no price transparency. In determining fair value, the Company primarily uses an income approach as well as market approaches. The Company utilizes present value techniques based on estimated cash flows of the instrument taking into consideration various assumptions derived by management based on their observations of assumptions used by market participants. These assumptions are corroborated by evidence such as historical data, risk characteristics, transactions in similar instruments, and completed or pending transactions, when available. The significant inputs in the Company's valuation process include default rate, loss severity, prepayment rate and discount rate. In general, significant increases (decreases) in default rate, loss severity or discount rate, in isolation, would result in a significantly lower (higher) fair value measurement. However, significant increases (decreases) in prepayment rate may result in a significantly higher (lower) fair value measurement. It is difficult to generalize the interrelationships between these significant inputs as the actual results could differ considerably on an individual security basis. For example, an increase in the default rate may not increase the loss severity rate if actual losses are lower than the average. Also, changes in discount rates may be greatly influenced by market expectation at any given point based upon many variables not directly related to the MBS market. Therefore, each significant input is closely analyzed to ascertain the reasonableness for the Company's purposes of fair value measurement.

Establishing fair value is inherently subjective given the volatile and sometimes illiquid markets for these private-label MBS and requires management to make a number of judgments about the assumptions that a market participant would use, including assumptions about future prepayment rates, discount rates, credit loss rates, and the timing of cash flows and credit losses. The assumptions the Company applies are specific to each security. Although the Company relies on its internal calculations to compute the fair value of these private-label MBS, the Company considers indications of value from actual sales of private-label MBS to assist in the valuation process and calibrate the Company's model.

Other investments — The Company's other investments, which are classified within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy, consist of investments in equity securities, investment funds and other MBS-related securities, such as interest-only MBS.

Derivative instruments — In the normal course of the Company's operations, the Company is a party to various financial instruments that are accounted for as derivatives in accordance with ASC 815, Derivatives and Hedging ("ASC 815"). The derivative instruments that trade in active markets or exchanges are classified within Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy because they are valued using quoted market prices. Other derivative instruments are generally classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy because they are valued using broker or dealer quotations, which are model-based calculations based on observable market-based inputs, including, but not limited to, contractual terms, market prices, yield curves, credit curves, measures of volatility, prepayment rates and correlations of such inputs.

Other — Cash and cash equivalents, deposits, receivables, repurchase agreements, payables, and other assets and liabilities are reflected in the consolidated balance sheets at their cost, which, due to the short-term nature of these instruments and their limited inherent credit risk, approximates fair value.

Long-term debt represents remaining balances of trust preferred debt and senior debt issued by the Company. Our estimate of the fair value of long-term debt is \$74,930 and \$39,200 as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. Trust preferred debt is classified within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy as the fair value is determined after considering quoted prices provided by a broker or dealer for similar, infrequently traded instruments. The independent brokers or dealers providing market prices are those who make markets in, or are specialists with expertise in the valuation of, these financial instruments. The Company's senior debt, which is publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange, is classified within Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

#### Fair Value Hierarchy

Financial Instruments Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

The following tables set forth financial instruments accounted for under ASC 820 by level within the fair value hierarchy as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014. As required by ASC 820, assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

	June 30, 2015				
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
MBS, at fair value					
Trading:					
Agency-backed MBS	\$4,154,360	\$—	\$4,154,360	\$	
Private-label MBS	3,111	_		3,111	
Total trading	4,157,471	_	4,154,360	3,111	
Available-for-sale:					
Agency-backed MBS	27	_	27		
Private-label MBS	149,051	_		149,051	
Total available-for-sale	149,078	_	27	149,051	
Total MBS	4,306,549	_	4,154,387	152,162	
Derivative assets, at fair value	2,144	746	1,398		
Derivative liabilities, at fair value	(144,936)	(140,268)	(4,668)		
Interest-only MBS, at fair value	191	_		191	
Total	\$4,163,948	\$(139,522)	\$4,151,117	\$152,353	

	December 31, 2014				
	Total	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
MBS, at fair value					
Trading:					
Agency-backed MBS	\$3,414,300	<b>\$</b> —	\$3,414,300	\$	
Available-for-sale:					
Agency-backed MBS	40		40	_	
Private-label MBS	267,437			267,437	
Total available-for-sale	267,477		40	267,437	
Total MBS	3,681,777		3,414,340	267,437	
Derivative assets, at fair value	1,267	751	516	_	
Derivative liabilities, at fair value	(124,308)	(124,308)	_	_	
Interest-only MBS, at fair value	212		_	212	
Total	\$3,558,948	\$(123,557)	\$3,414,856	\$267,649	

There were no transfers of securities in or out of Levels 1, 2 or 3 during the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 or the year ended December 31, 2014.

Level 3 Financial Assets and Liabilities

Financial Instruments Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

The fair value of the Company's Level 3, private-label MBS was \$152,162 and \$267,437 as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. As of June 30, 2015, the private-label MBS portfolio consists entirely of tranches of beneficial interests in underlying, resecuritized private-label MBS issued by re-REMIC securitization trusts between 2005 and 2014. During 2014, the Company's private-label MBS portfolio also included senior class MBS, which represent beneficial interests in securitized mortgage loans that have the first right to cash flows and absorb losses last. The underlying collateral of our re-REMIC securities are senior and pro-rata mezzanine class MBS. For re-REMIC securities, the cash flows from, and any credit losses absorbed by, the underlying MBS are allocated among the re-REMIC securities issued in the resecuritization transactions based on the re-REMIC structure. For example, prime and non-prime residential senior securities have been resecuritized to create a two-tranche structure with a re-REMIC senior security and a re-REMIC subordinated security. In these re-REMIC securities, all principal payments from the underlying securities are directed to the re-REMIC senior security until the face value is fully paid off. Thereafter, all principal payments are directed to the re-REMIC subordinated security. For pro-rata mezzanine securities, principal payments from the underlying MBS are typically allocated concurrently and proportionally to the mezzanine securities along with senior securities. The re-REMIC subordinated and mezzanine securities absorb credit losses, if any, first; however, these credit losses occur only when credit losses exceed the credit protection provided to the underlying securities. Re-REMIC and mezzanine securities receive interest while any face value is outstanding.

The Company's private-label MBS were collateralized by residential prime and Alt-A mortgage loans and had the following weighted average characteristics, based on face value, as of the dates indicated:

	June 30, 201	15	December 31	l, <b>2014</b>
Original loan-to-value	67	%	68	%
Original FICO score	721		722	
Three-month prepayment rate	12	%	11	%
Three-month loss severities	33	%	41	%
Weighted average coupon	2.95	%	2.96	%

The significant unobservable inputs used to develop the estimated cash flows and discount rates in the valuation models for the Company's private-label MBS include the following weighted-averages, based on face value, as of the dates indicated:

	Private-label MBS				
	June 30, 2015		December 31, 201		
Discount rate	5.57	%	5.55	%	
Default rate	2.94	%	3.09	%	
Loss severity rate	42.80	%	42.25	%	
Prepayment rate	11.11	%	11.23	%	

The ranges of the significant unobservable inputs for the valuation model were as follows as of the dates indicated:

	Private-label MB	$\mathbf{SS}$
	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Discount rate	5.25 – 10.00 %	5.15 – 10.00 %
Default rate	1.45 - 8.25 %	1.00 - 8.80 %
Loss severity rate	35.00 – 57.50 %	29.23 – 57.50 %
Prepayment rate	7.75 – 17.70 %	7.40 - 17.70 %

The tables below set forth a summary of changes in the fair value and gains and losses of the Company's Level 3 financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014.

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2015		
	SenioRe-REMIC SecurStiesurities	Total	
Beginning balance, April 1, 2015	\$ — \$ 241,017	\$ 241,017	
Total net gains (losses)			
Included in investment (loss) gain, net	— 13,382	13,382	
Included in other comprehensive income	— (17,311	) (17,311	)
Purchases	<b>—</b> 2,870	2,870	
Sales	- (89,613	) (89,613	)
Payments, net	- (2,338	) (2,338	)
Accretion of discount	<b></b> 4,155	4,155	
Ending balance, June 30, 2015	\$ — \$ 152,162	\$ 152,162	
The amount of net gains (losses) for the period included in earnings attributable	2		
to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to Level 3 assets still held at	\$ — \$ 225	\$ 225	
the reporting date			

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>		_	- /		
	Senior Securitie	Re-REMIC sSecurities	7	Γotal		
Beginning balance, April 1, 2014	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 329,846	9	\$ 329,846		
Total net gains (losses)						
Included in investment (loss) gain, net	6	4,759		4,765		
Included in other comprehensive income		(2,019	)	(2,019	)	
Purchases						
Sales	78	(21,576	)	(21,498	)	
Payments, net	(104)	(3,711	)	(3,815	)	
Accretion of discount	20	6,849		6,869		
Ending balance, June 30, 2014	\$ —	\$ 314,148	9	\$ 314,148		
The amount of net gains (losses) for the period included in earnings						
attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to Level 3 assets	\$ —	\$ (51	) 5	\$ (51	)	
still held at the reporting date						

	Six Months Ende	June 30, 2015		
	SenidRe-REMIC Secu <b>Séins</b> rities	Total		
Beginning balance, January 1, 2015	\$ \$ 267,437	\$ 267,437		
Total net gains (losses)				
Included in investment (loss) gain, net	— 16,814	16,814		
Included in other comprehensive income	— (28,216	) (28,216 )		
Purchases	2,870	2,870		
Sales	— (110,472	) (110,472 )		
Payments, net	— (5,469	) (5,469 )		
Accretion of discount	<b>—</b> 9,198	9,198		
Ending balance, June 30, 2015	\$ \$ 152,162	\$ 152,162		
The amount of net gains (losses) for the period included in earnings attributable				
to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to Level 3 assets still held at	\$ \$ 225	\$ 225		
the reporting date				

	Six Months Ended June 30, 2014		
	Senior Securities	Re-REMIC Securities	Total
Beginning balance, January 1, 2014	\$7,066	\$ 334,233	\$ 341,299
Total net gains (losses)			
Included in investment (loss) gain, net	1,690	7,842	9,532
Included in other comprehensive income	(1,654)	(3,210	(4,864)
Purchases			
Sales	(7,029)	(30,202)	(37,231)
Payments, net	(319)	(8,288	(8,607)
Accretion of discount	246	13,773	14,019
Ending balance, June 30, 2014	\$ <i>—</i>	\$ 314,148	\$314,148
The amount of net gains (losses) for the period included in earnings attributable to the change in unrealized gains (losses) relating to Level 3 assets still held at	\$—	\$ (51	\$(51)

the reporting date

Level 3 Financial Instruments Measured at Fair Value on a Non-Recurring Basis

The Company also measures certain financial assets at fair value on a non-recurring basis. Adjustments to the fair value of these assets usually result from the application of lower-of-cost-or-market accounting or write-downs of individual assets due to impairments. Due to the nature of these financial assets, enterprise values are primarily used to value these financial assets. In determining the enterprise value, the Company analyzes various financial, performance and market factors to estimate fair value, including, where applicable, market trading activity. As a result, these financial assets are classified within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy. As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, these financial assets are classified within the other investments category and represent the Company's interest in non-public equity securities and investment funds and are valued at \$1,558 and \$1,625, respectively. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, there were no changes to the carrying value of these financial assets.

The Company has generally purchased private-label MBS at a discount to face value. The Company, at least on a quarterly basis, estimates the future expected cash flows based on the Company's observation of current information and events and applies a number of assumptions related to prepayment rates, interest rates, default rates, loss severity rates, and the timing and amount of cash flows and credit losses. These assumptions are difficult to predict, as they are subject to uncertainties and contingencies related to future events that may impact the Company's estimates and its interest income.

Interest income on the private-label MBS is recognized based on each security's expected effective interest rate. At acquisition, the accretable yield is calculated as the difference between the undiscounted expected cash flows and the purchase price, which is expected to be accreted into interest income over the remaining life of the security on a level-yield basis. The difference between the contractually required payments and the undiscounted expected cash flows represents the non-accretable difference. Based on actual payment activities and changes in estimates of undiscounted expected future cash flows, the accretable yield and the non-accretable difference can change over time. Actual cash collections that exceed our prior estimates and/or positive changes in our periodic estimates of expected future cash flows increase the accretable yield and are recognized prospectively as incremental interest income over the remaining life of the security.

The following table presents the changes in the accretable yield on available-for-sale, private-label MBS for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months	Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Beginning balance	\$ 175,298	\$ 310,933	\$ 202,108	\$ 326,330	
Accretion of discount	(4,155	) (6,869	) (9,198	) (14,019	)
Reclassifications, net	4,678	8,727	(4,504	) 13,372	
Acquisitions	_				
Sales	(72,756	) (21,663	) (85,341	) (34,555	)
Ending balance	\$ 103,065	\$ 291,128	\$ 103,065	\$ 291,128	

The Company did not acquire any available-for-sale, private-label MBS during the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014. The Company did acquire private-label MBS during the three months ended June 30, 2015 that it elected to classify as trading securities.

The Company's available-for-sale MBS are carried at fair value in accordance with ASC 320, *Investments - Debt and Equity Securities* ("ASC 320"), with resulting unrealized gains and losses reflected as other comprehensive income or loss. Gross unrealized gains and losses on these securities were the following as of the dates indicated:

June 30, 2015						
	Amortized Cost	<sup>l</sup> Unrealiz	ed			
	Basis (1)	Gains	Losse	s Fair Value		
Agency-backed MBS	\$24	\$3	\$	<b></b> \$27		
Private-label MBS	129,734	19,317		— 149,051		
Total	\$129,758	\$19,320	\$	<b></b> \$149,078		

(1) The amortized cost of MBS includes unamortized net discounts of \$63,322 at June 30, 2015.

<b>December 31, 2014</b>						
	Amortized Unrealized					
	Cost	Uniteanz	eu			
	Basis (1)	Gains	Losse	es Fair Value		
Agency-backed MBS	\$36	\$4	\$	\$40		
Private-label MBS	219,904	47,533		<b>—</b> 267,437		
Total	\$219,940	\$47,537	\$	<b>—</b> \$267,477		

(1) The amortized cost of MBS includes unamortized net discounts of \$133,333 at December 31, 2014.

The Company recorded no other-than-temporary impairment charges on available-for-sale MBS during the three and six months ended June 30, 2015. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, the Company recorded other-than-temporary impairment charges of \$51 as a component of investment (loss) gain, net on the consolidated statements of comprehensive income related to deterioration in credit quality on available-for-sale, private-label MBS with a cost basis of \$2,174, prior to recognizing the other-than-temporary impairment charges. The following table presents a summary of cumulative credit related other-than-temporary impairment charges recognized on the available-for-sale MBS held as of the dates indicated:

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Cumulative credit related other-than-temporary impairment, beginning balance	\$ 18,903	\$ 21,026	\$ 18,903	\$ 23,662
Increases related to other-than-temporary impairments on securities without previously recognized other-than-temporary impairments	_	51	_	51
Decreases related to other-than-temporary impairments on sold securities	(6,081	) (1,390	(6,081	) (4,026 )
Cumulative credit related other-than-temporary impairment, ending balance	\$ 12,822	\$ 19,687	\$ 12,822	\$ 19,687

The following table presents the results of sales of MBS for the periods indicated:

	Three Mo	Three Months Ended June 30,			Six Months Ended June 30,			
	2015		2014	2015		2014		
	Agency-	<b>Private-</b>	Agdhaiyate-	Agency-	Private-	Agdhaiyate-		
	Backed	Label	Badkældel	Backed	Label	Badkældel		
	MBS	MBS	MBMBS	MBS	MBS	MEMBS		
Proceeds from sales	\$148,002	\$89,613	\$-\$21,499	\$278,668	\$110,472	\$-\$37,231		
Gross gains	_	13,531	<b></b> 4,690	399	16,879	<b>—</b> 9,359		
Gross losses	2,087	414		1,986	414			

#### Other Investments

The Company's other investments consisted of the following as of the dates indicated:

	June 30, 2015	De	cember 31, 2014
Interest-only MBS	\$ 191	\$	212

Non-public equity securities	975		975
Investment funds	583		650
Total other investments	\$ 1,749	\$	1,837

### **Note 4. Borrowings:**

#### Repurchase Agreements

The Company has entered into repurchase agreements to fund its investments in MBS. Securities sold under agreements to repurchase, which are treated as financing transactions for financial reporting purposes, are collateralized by MBS and are carried at their contractual amounts as specified in the respective agreements. Under the repurchase agreements, the Company pledges its securities as collateral to secure the borrowing, which is equal in value to a specified percentage of the fair value of the pledged collateral, while the Company retains beneficial ownership of the pledged collateral. The counterparty to the repurchase agreements may require that the Company pledge additional securities or cash as additional collateral to secure borrowings when the value of the collateral declines.

As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the Company had no amount at risk with a single repurchase agreement counterparty or lender greater than 10% of equity. The following table provides information regarding the Company's outstanding repurchase agreement borrowings as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014:

	June 30, 2015	1	December 31, 2014	ļ
Pledged with agency-backed MBS:				
Repurchase agreements outstanding	\$ 3,592,357	9	3,137,586	
Agency-backed MBS collateral, at fair value	3,783,743		3,300,383	
Net amount (1)	191,386		162,797	
Weighted-average rate	0.38	%	0.38	%
Weighted-average term to maturity	14.0 days		14.0 days	
Pledged with private-label MBS:				
Repurchase agreements outstanding	\$ 39,415	9	5 42,189	
Private-label MBS collateral, at fair value	70,572		75,642	
Net amount (1)	31,157		33,453	
Weighted-average rate	2.12	%	1.98	%
Weighted-average term to maturity	22.0 days		21.8 days	
Total MBS:				
Repurchase agreements outstanding	\$ 3,631,772	9	3,179,775	
MBS collateral, at fair value	3,854,315		3,376,025	
Net amount (1)	222,543		196,250	
Weighted-average rate	0.40	%	0.40	%
Weighted-average term to maturity	14.1 days		14.1 days	

The following table provides information regarding the Company's outstanding repurchase agreement borrowings during the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014:

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 201	4
Weighted-average outstanding balance during the three months ended	\$ 3,463,587	\$ 2,300,868	
Weighted-average rate during the three months ended	0.39	% 0.37	%
Weighted-average outstanding balance during the six months ended	\$ 3,341,379	\$ 1,990,904	
Weighted-average rate during the six months ended	0.39	% 0.39	%

## Long-Term Debt

As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the Company had \$75,300 and \$40,000, respectively, of outstanding long-term debentures. On March 18, 2015, the Company completed a public offering of \$35,300 of its 6.75% Senior Notes due in 2025 and received net proceeds of \$34,063 after payment of underwriting discounts, commissions, and expenses. These Senior Notes will mature on March 15, 2025, and may be redeemed in whole or in part at any time

Net amount represents the value of collateral in excess of corresponding repurchase obligation. The amount of collateral at-risk is limited to the outstanding repurchase obligation and not the entire collateral balance.

and from time to time at the Company's option on or after March 15, 2018, at a redemption price equal to the principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest. The interest payments on these Senior Notes are payable quarterly in arrears on March 15, June 15, September, 15, and December 15 of each year, beginning on June 15, 2015. The indenture governing these Senior Notes contains certain covenants, including limitations on the Company's ability to merge or consolidate with other entities or sell or otherwise dispose of all or substantially all of the Company's assets. The Senior Notes due 2025 and the Senior Notes due 2023 are publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "AIC" and "AIW", respectively.

The Company's long-term debentures consisted of the following as of the dates indicated:

	June 30, 201: Senior Notes Due 2025		Senior Notes Due 2023		Trust Preferred Debt		December 3 Senior Notes Due 2023		014 Trust Preferred Debt	
Outstanding Principal	\$35,300		\$ 25,000		\$ 15,000		\$25,000	:	\$ 15,000	
Annual Interest Rate	6.75	%	6.625	%	LIBOR + 2.25 – 3.00	%	6.625	%	LIBOR + 2.25 – 3.00	%
Interest Payment Frequency	Quarterly		Quarterly		Quarterly		Quarterly		Quarterly	
Weighted-Average Interest Rate	6.75	%	6.625	%	3.03	%	6.625	%	2.98	%
Maturity	March 15, 2025		May 1, 2023		2033 – 2035		May 1, 2023		2033 – 2035	
Early Redemption Date	March 15, 2018		May 1, 2016		2008 – 2010		May 1, 2016		2008 – 2010	

#### **Note 5. Derivative Financial Instruments and Economic Hedging Activities:**

In the normal course of its operations, the Company is a party to financial instruments that are accounted for as derivative instruments in accordance with ASC 815. These instruments may include Eurodollar futures, interest rate swap futures, U.S. Treasury futures contracts, interest rate swaps, put options and certain commitments to purchase and sell MBS. The exchange traded derivatives such as Eurodollar futures and interest rate swap futures are, in effect, settled on a daily basis by the exchange of cash variation margin. Cash variation margin posted by the Company is included in the financial statement line item deposits in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets. The Company may be required to pledge collateral for margin requirements with third-party custodians in connection with certain of its other derivative transactions. These transactions are not under master netting agreements.

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, the Company entered into various financial contracts to economically hedge certain MBS and related borrowings and other long-term debt. These financial contracts are not designated as cash flow hedges under ASC 815. The changes in fair value on these derivatives are recorded to investment (loss) gain, net in the consolidated statements of comprehensive income. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, the Company recorded net gains of \$30,391 and net losses of \$45,728, respectively, on these derivatives. For the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, the Company recorded net losses of \$46,585 and \$70,065, respectively, on these derivatives. The Company held the following derivative instruments as of the dates indicated:

	June 30, 201	5		December 31	, 2014	
	Notional Amount	Fair Value		Notional Amount	Fair Valu	e
Eurodollar futures:						
Derivative assets	\$2,420,000	\$ 680		\$2,445,000	\$ 751	
Derivative liabilities	39,040,000	(99,575	)	38,645,000	(76,848	)
Total Eurodollar futures (1)	41,460,000	(98,895	)	41,090,000	(76,097	)
10-year swap futures:						
Derivative assets	75,000	66				
Derivative liabilities	1,000,000	(40,693	)	1,145,000	(47,460	)
Total 10-year swap futures (2)	1,075,000	(40,627	)	1,145,000	(47,460	)
Commitment to purchase MBS (3)	350,000	(4,668	)	200,000	516	
Commitment to sell MBS (4)	150,000	1,398				

<sup>(1)</sup> The \$41,460,000 total notional amount of Eurodollar futures contracts as of June 30, 2015 represents the accumulation of Eurodollar futures contracts that mature on a quarterly basis between September 2015 and June 2020. The maximum notional outstanding for settlement within any single future quarterly period did not exceed \$2,585,000 as of June 30, 2015 and \$2,325,000 as of December 31, 2014. As of June 30, 2015, the Company

- maintained \$121,903 as a deposit and margin against the open Eurodollar futures contracts.
- The \$1,075,000 represents the total notional amount of 10-year swap futures as of June 30, 2015, of which \$710,000 of notional amount matures in September 2015 and \$365,000 in notional amount matures in March 2024.
- As of June 30, 2015, the Company maintained \$57,952 as a deposit and margin against the open 10-year swap futures contracts.
- The total notional amount of commitment to purchase MBS represents forward commitments to purchase fixed-rate (3) agency-backed MBS securities. As of June 30, 2015, the Company maintained \$3,951 as a deposit and margin against the open commitments to purchase MBS.
- The total notional amount of commitment to sell MBS represents forward commitments to sell fixed-rate agency-backed MBS securities.

#### **Note 6. Income Taxes:**

Arlington Asset is subject to taxation as a corporation under Subchapter C of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The Company's consolidated subsidiary, Rosslyn REIT Trust ("Rosslyn REIT"), operates to qualify as a real estate investment trust ("REIT") under the Code. The investments of Rosslyn REIT primarily consist of a portion of the Company's private-label MBS portfolio. Arlington Asset owns all of the common shares of Rosslyn REIT and all of the preferred shares of Rosslyn REIT are owned by outside investors. Rosslyn REIT periodically distributes all of its income to its shareholders. The Company's agency-backed MBS and remaining private label MBS investment portfolios are held by Arlington Asset.

The Company currently has net operating loss ("NOL") and net capital loss ("NCL") carry-forwards that can be applied against the Company's current taxable ordinary income and net capital gains.

As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the Company had a net deferred tax asset of \$113,121 and \$122,365, respectively, net of a valuation allowance on NCL carry-forwards of \$54,814 and \$26,027, respectively. The Company continues to provide a valuation allowance against the portion of NCL carry-forwards for which the Company believes is more likely than not that the benefits will not be realized prior to expiration. The Company's NCL carry-forwards expire in 2019, and any net capital loss generated in the current year will expire in 2020. During the six months ended June 30, 2015, the Company recorded an increase to its valuation allowance of \$28,787. The increase in the valuation allowance was primarily due to realized and unrealized net capital losses generated during the period from certain of its derivative hedge instruments. The Company will continue to assess the need for a valuation allowance at each reporting date.

As of June 30, 2015, the Company has assessed the need for recording a provision for any uncertain tax position and has made the determination that such provision is not necessary.

The Company is subject to examination by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") and state and local taxing jurisdictions where the Company has significant business operations. As of June 30, 2015, there are no on-going examinations.

### **Note 7. Earnings Per Share:**

Basic earnings per share includes no dilution and is computed by dividing net income or loss applicable to common stock by the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding for the respective period. Diluted earnings per share includes the impact of dilutive securities such as unvested shares of restricted stock and performance share units. The following tables present the computations of basic and diluted earnings (loss) per share for the periods indicated:

	Three Months Ended June 30,			
	2015		2014	
(Shares in thousands)	Basic	Diluted	Basic	Diluted
Weighted-average shares outstanding Common stock	22,979	22,979	19,740	19,740
Performance share units and unvested restricted stock		119		320
Weighted-average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	22,979	23,098	19,740	20,060
Net income	\$6,601	\$6,601	\$18,839	\$18,839
Net income per common share	\$0.29	\$0.29	\$0.95	\$0.94

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	Six Months Ended June 30,			
	2015		2014	
(Shares in thousands)	Basic	Diluted	Basic	Diluted
Weighted-average shares outstanding Common stock	22,976	22,976	18,282	18,282
Performance share units and unvested restricted stock		_	_	297
Weighted-average common and common equivalent shares outstanding	22,976	22,976	18,282	18,579
Net (loss) income	\$(35,584)	\$(35,584)	\$25,872	\$25,872
Net (loss) income per common share	\$(1.55)	\$(1.55)	\$1.42	\$1.39

The diluted earnings per share for the six months ended June 30, 2015 did not include the antidilutive effect of 120,868 unvested shares of restricted stock and performance share units.

#### **Note 8. Equity:**

#### **Dividends**

Pursuant to the Company's variable dividend policy, the Board of Directors evaluates dividends on a quarterly basis and, in its sole discretion, approves the payment of dividends. The Company's dividend payments, if any, may vary significantly from quarter to quarter. The Board of Directors has approved and the Company has declared the following dividends to date in 2015:

<b>Quarter Ended</b>	Div	vidend Amount	<b>Declaration Date</b>	<b>Record Date</b>	<b>Pay Date</b>
June 30	\$	0.875	June 17	June 30	July 31
March 31		0.875	March 10	March 31	April 30

The Board of Directors approved and the Company declared and paid the following dividends for 2014:

<b>Quarter Ended</b>	Div	vidend Amount	<b>Declaration Date</b>	<b>Record Date</b>	Pay Date
December 31	\$	0.875	December 18	December 31	January 30, 2015
September 30		0.875	September 17	September 29	October 31
June 30		0.875	June 11	June 30	July 31
March 31		0.875	March 13	March 31	April 30

#### Conversion of Class B Common Stock to Class A Common Stock

During the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, a holder of the Company's common stock converted an aggregate of 1,153 shares of Class B common stock into 1,153 shares of Class A common stock. Holders of shares of Class A common stock are entitled to one vote for each share on all matters voted on by shareholders, and the holders of shares of Class B common stock are entitled to three votes per share on all matters voted on by shareholders. Under the Company's Articles of Incorporation, shares of Class B common stock are convertible into shares of Class A common stock on a one-for-one basis.

### **Note 9. Recent Accounting Pronouncements:**

On April 7, 2015, the FASB issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2015-03, *Interest — Imputation of Interest (Subtopic 835-30): Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs*, which requires debt issuance costs to be presented in the balance sheet as a direct reduction from the associated debt liability rather than as a separate asset. For public business entities, the standard is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted for financial statements that have not been previously issued. The new guidance will be applied on a retrospective basis. The Company does not believe that the change in the balance sheet presentation of debt issuance costs required by ASU No. 2015-03 will have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

On February 18, 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-02, *Consolidation (Topic 810)* — *Amendments to the Consolidation Analysis*, which makes targeted amendments to the current consolidation guidance and ends the deferral granted to investment companies from applying variable interest entity guidance. For public business entities, the standard is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted. The Company does not believe the adoption of ASU No. 2015-01 will have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

On January 9, 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-01, Extraordinary and Unusual Items (Subtopic 225-20) — Simplifying Income Statement Presentation by Eliminating the Concept of Extraordinary Items, which eliminates from U.S. GAAP the concept of extraordinary items. The standard is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, and interim periods within those fiscal years. Early adoption is permitted provided that the guidance is applied from the beginning of the fiscal year of adoption. The Company does not believe the adoption of ASU No. 2015-01 will have a material impact on its consolidated financial statements.

#### **Note 10. Revisions to Previously Reported Financial Statements:**

The Company concluded that the previously reported tax effect of the components of other comprehensive income (loss) was incorrect for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014. Although the error did not have an impact on the previously reported total other comprehensive income (loss), it did have an impact on the previously reported components of other comprehensive income (loss). Although the impact of this change was not material to the consolidated financial statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, the Company has revised its previously reported consolidated financial statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014. The following tables set forth the affected line items within the Company's previously reported consolidated financial statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014.

	Three Months Ended June 30, 2014 As Previousl\( \mathbb{R}\)evision As Revised Reported					
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes:						
Unrealized gains for the period on available-for-sale securities	\$3,081	\$ (1,577	) \$ 1,504			
Reclassification:						
Included in investment loss, net, in the statement of comprehensive income related to sales of available-for-sale securities	(4,368)	1,577	(2,791	)		

	Six Months Ended June 30, 20: As Previously Reported Revision As Revi					
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of taxes:	<b>* * . . . . . . .</b>	<b></b>	<b></b>			
Unrealized gains for the period on available-for-sale securities Reclassification:	\$ 5,425	\$ (2,864)	\$ 2,561			
Included in investment loss, net, in the statement of comprehensive income related to sales of available-for-sale securities	(8,816)	2,864	(5,952)			

During the first quarter of 2015, the Company concluded that the previously reported income tax provision (benefit) and the related income tax effect on other comprehensive income (loss) was incorrect for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2012 and 2013 with no impact on previously reported total comprehensive income. As a result of these errors, the Company also concluded that the previously reported accumulated other comprehensive income and accumulated deficit was incorrect as of the three fiscal years ended December 31, 2014 for the cumulative impact of the errors, however, with no impact on previously reported total equity. Although the impact of these changes were not material to the consolidated financial statements for the three fiscal years ended December 31, 2014, the Company has revised its previously reported accumulated other comprehensive income and accumulated deficit as of December 31, 2014 and 2013 to reflect the cumulative impact of the errors. The following tables set forth the affected line items within the Company's previously reported consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2014 and 2013.

	As of Decem	ber 31, 201	4
	Previously	Revision	As Revised
	Reported		
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of taxes	\$42,793	\$(6,921)	\$35,872
Accumulated deficit	(1,298,018)	6,921	(1,291,097)
	As of Decem As	ber 31, 201	13
	Previously Reported	Revision	As Revised
Accumulated other comprehensive income, net of taxes	\$53,190	\$ (6,921 )	\$46,269

Accumulated deficit (1,228,926) 6,921 (1,222,005)

#### Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations

Unless the context otherwise requires or provides, references in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q to "we," "us," "our" and the "Company" refer to Arlington Asset Investment Corp. ("Arlington Asset") and its subsidiaries. This discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with our financial statements and accompanying notes included in Item 1 of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, as well as our audited consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.

The discussion of our consolidated financial condition and results of operations below may contain forward-looking statements. These statements, which reflect management's beliefs and expectations, are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially. For a discussion of the risks and uncertainties that may affect our future results, please see "Cautionary Statement About Forward-Looking Statements" in Item 3 of Part I of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and the risk factors included in Item 1A of Part I of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.

#### **Our Company**

We are a principal investment firm that currently acquires and holds primarily residential mortgage-related assets. We acquire residential mortgage-backed securities ("MBS"), either issued by U.S. government agencies or guaranteed as to principal and interest by U.S. government agencies or U.S. government-sponsored entities ("agency-backed MBS"). We also acquire residential MBS issued by private organizations ("private-label MBS"), subject to maintaining our exemption from regulation as an investment company under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). In the future, we may acquire and hold other types of assets, including commercial MBS, asset backed securities, other structured securities, commercial mortgage loans, commercial loans, residential mortgage loans, and other real estate-related loans and securities. In addition, we also may pursue other business activities that will utilize our experience in analyzing investment opportunities and applying similar portfolio management skills. We are a Virginia corporation and taxed as a C corporation for U.S. federal tax purposes. We operate in the United States.

#### **Factors that Affect our Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

Our business is materially affected by a variety of industry and economic factors, including:

conditions in the global financial markets and economic conditions generally; changes in interest rates and prepayment rates;

- actions taken by the U.S. government, U.S. Federal Reserve and the U.S. Treasury;
- changes in laws and regulations and industry practices;
- actions taken by ratings agencies with respect to the U.S.'s credit rating; and
- other market developments.

Adverse market conditions and actions by governmental authorities could adversely affect our business in many ways, including, but not limited to, making it more difficult for us to analyze our investment portfolio, reducing the market value of our MBS and hedge portfolio, adversely affecting our ability to maintain targeted amounts of leverage on our MBS portfolio and successfully implement our hedging strategy, and limiting our ability to follow our current investment and financing strategies. While uncertain, these potentially adverse market conditions and actions by governmental authorities may adversely affect our liquidity, financial position and results of operations. We have been evaluating, and will continue to evaluate, the potential impact of recent government actions affecting the market price and availability of MBS, related derivative securities, and interest rates. For further discussions on how market conditions and government actions may adversely affect our business, see "Item 1A — Risk Factors" of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.

Our MBS portfolio is affected by general U.S. residential real estate market conditions and the overall U.S. economic environment. In particular, our MBS strategy and the performance of our MBS portfolio is influenced by the specific characteristics of these markets, including prepayment rates, credit losses, interest rates and the interest rate yield curve. Our results of operations primarily depend on, among other things, the level of our interest income, the amount and cost of borrowings we may obtain by pledging our investment portfolio as collateral for the borrowings and the cost and impact of our hedging transactions. Our borrowing cost varies based on changes in interest rates and changes in the amount we can borrow, which is generally based on the fair value of the MBS portfolio and the advance rate at which the lenders are willing to lend against the collateral provided. We have entered into various hedging transactions to mitigate the interest rate sensitivity which directly impacts our cost of borrowing and the value of our MBS portfolio. Periodic changes in the market value of these hedging instruments is expected to fluctuate inversely relative to changes in the value of the MBS portfolio that are attributable to changes in interest rates. That is, the aggregate market value of our hedging instruments is expected to increase during periods of increasing interest rates and, conversely, decrease during periods of declining interest rates. However, the degree of correlation between price movements of our hedging instruments and price movements of our MBS portfolio may vary. While our hedging instruments are designed to protect our agency-backed MBS portfolio from interest rate risk, they are not generally designed to protect our net book value from spread risk, which is the risk of an increase of the market spread between the yield on our agency-backed MBS and the benchmark yield on U.S. Treasury securities or interest rate swaps.

The payment of principal and interest on the agency-backed MBS that we acquire and hold is guaranteed by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("Freddie Mac") or the Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"). The payment of principal and interest on agency-backed MBS issued by Freddie Mac or Fannie Mae is not guaranteed by the U.S. government. Any failure to honor its guarantee of agency-backed MBS by Freddie Mac or Fannie Mae or any downgrade of securities issued by Freddie Mac or Fannie Mae by the rating agencies could cause a significant decline in the value of and cash flow from any agency-backed MBS we own that are guaranteed by such entity.

#### **Current Market Conditions and Trends**

Volatility in global interest rates and capital markets continued in the second quarter of 2015. Interest rates rose across all sectors in the global bond markets, thereby depressing bond prices across sectors. Credit spreads incrementally widened during the second quarter, putting downward pressure on book value for many firms in the specialty finance and mortgage REIT space. Both U.S. Treasuries and agency-backed MBS yields ended the second quarter higher than the close of the first quarter 2015. For example, the yield on 10-year notes issued by the U.S. Treasury rose by 41 basis points to 2.35% at June 30, 2015, and the price of Fannie Mae 3.5% 30 year MBS fell by \$2.22 to \$102.89 over the quarter. The rise in rates was primarily led by growing sentiment that the European economies are recovering somewhat and the need for continued aggressive monetary stimulus by the European Central Bank (the "ECB") would diminish somewhat over the next few quarters. However, European equities suffered, down 4.5% for the quarter, primarily on fears stoked by uncertainty over Greek sovereign finances. In addition, the ECB, the Bank of Japan and other national banks have implemented programs to increase monetary stimulus. For example, the ECB announced in January 2015 an aggressive bond buying program to stimulate the European Zone economy. This program is expected to continue through September 2016, and the ECB has not expressed to date any expectation to reduce or shorten the time period of this program. Interest rates were also impacted by slowing economic growth in China.

We believe that the U.S. economy appears to be on a trajectory of slow, sustainable growth. The consensus forecast for 2015 economic growth in the U.S. remains at approximately 2.7%, accompanied by moderate growth in payrolls and inflation within the Federal Reserve's target range. Nevertheless, wage growth and commodity prices remain weak, suggesting continued sluggish economic growth globally. The Federal Reserve continues to guide capital markets to anticipate the possibility of an interest rate hike in September or December 2015. Federal Reserve Chair Yellen, in her June 17, 2015 remarks following the June Federal Reserve Open Market Committee policy meeting, stated that she anticipates a long period of continued accommodative monetary policy following an initial rise in the Federal Funds Rate later this year. These statements, which Chair Yellen reiterated in Congressional testimony on July 15-16, 2015, generally are in line with market participants' expectations for the balance of 2015. As of June 30, 2015, the bond market appears to have priced in an increase in the Federal Funds Rate in September 2015 and a slow rise over the next few years. With the Federal Reserve ostensibly tying the start of interest rate increases to evidence of further improvement in the economy, data releases remain materially influential events. We believe that data dependency and analysis of the Federal Reserve will continue to drive the direction and volatility of U.S. rates, with the uncertainty that this dynamic creates further enhancing volatility in the interest rate and fixed income markets.

With the Federal Reserve signaling that it may raise rates in September or December 2015, the prospect for higher cost of capital for the Company is evident, which would in the longer-term lead to interest rate spread narrowing and lower yields on existing agency-backed MBS. Home sales and new single-family home construction remain relatively slow due to mortgage lending rules implemented under the Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act ("Dodd-Frank") and bank conservatism in efforts to, among other things, prevent future MBS repurchase requests. These factors have created a shortage of mortgage origination, resulting in low agency-backed MBS issuance. The Federal Reserve's purchases of agency-backed MBS through reinvesting principal and interest payments it receives on its agency-backed MBS portfolio have continued to dominate the agency-backed MBS markets. The Federal Reserve purchases contributed to strong agency-backed MBS demand and limited new investment opportunities to date in 2015. While the Federal Reserve has not indicated when it will cease or reduce its agency-backed MBS purchases by reinvesting principal and interest payments, private banks have less incentive to purchase Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae MBS because under the Basel III liquidity coverage ratio rules they receive lower quality liquid asset credit for these securities on their balance sheet than for cash, U.S. Treasuries and MBS issued by the Government National Mortgage Association ("Ginnie Mae").

While there are signs of a recovery, uncertainty continues to dominate the market, due to the continued low interest rate environment and actions by the Federal Reserve. We believe the general business environment will continue to be challenging in 2015 and future periods. Our growth outlook is dependent, in part, on the strength of the financial markets, the impact of fiscal and monetary policy actions by the United States and other countries, particularly Greece and China, the overall market value of U.S. equities and liquidity in the financial system. Depending on recent market developments and movements, we may seek to re-align our strategy and our portfolio. We will continue to closely monitor the developments in the market and evaluate the opportunities across the spectrum in the mortgage industry and other types of assets and seek the highest risk-adjusted returns for our capital.

#### **Recent Government Activity**

In March 2015, housing and mortgage financial reform legislation, H.R. 1491, was proposed by congressmen John Delaney (D-MD), John Carney (D-DE) and James A. Himes (D-CT), each of whom is a member of the House Financial Services Committee. The bill is called The Partnership to Strengthen Homeownership Act, and is similar to one introduced by the same congressmen in the last Congress (H.R. 5055), which never made it out of committee. Under this proposed legislation, all government guaranteed single-family and multi-family MBS will be supported by a minimum of 5% private sector capital, which will stand in a first loss position. The remaining 95% of the risk will be shared between Ginnie Mae and a private reinsurer on a pari passu basis. Fees paid to Ginnie Mae for providing these securities will be allocated to affordable housing programs. Under the bill, Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae would be wound down over a five-year period, and their multifamily businesses would be spun out as separate entities. Ginnie Mae would be required to create and implement a workable multifamily guarantee that utilizes private sector pricing consistent with the single family model. The GSEs' current multifamily businesses would continue to function within the new multifamily housing market as purely private organizations with an explicit government guarantee provided by Ginnie Mae and a private sector reinsurer.

In May 2015, Senate Banking Committee Chairman Richard Shelby (R-AL) released a draft bill entitled The Regulatory Relief Bill of 2015 (the "Regulatory Relief Bill"). If enacted, this bill would increase the threshold for a financial institution to be deemed a Systemically Important Financial Institution ("SIFI") from \$50 billion to \$500 billion while giving the Financial Stability Oversight Council discretion to designate banks with greater than \$50 billion in assets as SIFIs, give non-banks an opportunity to file a remedial plan addressing regulators' concerns before being designated as SIFIs, require an affirmative vote every five-years to renew the SIFI designation of non-banks, provide regulatory relief for community banks and broaden the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau Qualified Mortgage rule.

We expect debate and discussion on residential housing and mortgage reform to continue in 2015; however, we cannot be certain if H.R. 1491, the Regulatory Relief Bill or any other housing- and/or mortgage-related bill will emerge from committee, or be approved by Congress, and if so, what the effect will be.

#### **Executive Summary**

During the second quarter of 2015, the Company's financial results were significantly impacted by persistent interest rate volatility that resulted in widening of mortgage spreads. The 10-year U.S. Treasury rate increased from 1.94% as of March 31, 2015 to 2.35% as of June 30, 2015 and experienced significant volatility within the quarter. The Company continued to maintain a significant hedge position to protect its agency-backed MBS portfolio from a rise in interest rates. While the Company's hedge design and structure is intended to mitigate the change in value of its agency-backed MBS investments due to changes in interest rates, other factors, such as the steepness or flatness of the yield curve, will potentially have an effect on the value of the Company's hedges as compared to its assets. Although

the Company's hedging instruments are designed to protect its agency-backed MBS portfolio from interest rate risk, they are not generally designed to protect the Company's net book value from spread risk, which is the risk of an increase of the market spread between the yield on agency-backed MBS and the benchmark yield on U.S. Treasury securities or interest rate swaps. During the second quarter, uncertainty surrounding global growth, the outlook for the timing and magnitude of interest rate increases by the U.S. Federal Reserve and European financial conditions, among other factors, contributed to continued interest rate volatility. The option-adjusted spread ("OAS"), a common measure of the spread between a fixed income security rate and a risk-free rate that takes into consideration the impact of interest rate volatility and prepayment risk in residential MBS, widened during the quarter. For example, the Fannie Mae 4.0% 30-year LIBOR OAS widened approximately 13 basis points during the second quarter. As a result of these factors, the Company's agency-backed MBS portfolio underperformed relative to its hedge portfolio resulting in net realized and unrealized losses on its hedged agency MBS portfolio during the second quarter.

The Company's agency-backed MBS portfolio continues to be invested in fixed-rate 30-year MBS specifically selected based upon collateral characteristics that demonstrate a lower than average propensity for prepayments. The three-month constant prepayment rate ("CPR") on the Company's agency-backed MBS was 12.34% as of June 30, 2015, which compared favorably to CPRs on the Fannie Mae 4.0% coupon universe of 21.87%. However, with the increase in long-term interest rates during the second quarter, the weighted average pay-up premiums for the Company's specified pools of agency-backed MBS with prepayment protection characteristics declined during the quarter, which also contributed to a decline in the value of the Company's agency-backed MBS portfolio during the second quarter. Pay-up premiums represent the estimated price premium of agency MBS backed by specified pools over a generic to-be-announced agency security. The increase in interest rates and widening of mortgage spreads had a meaningful negative impact on the value of the Company's agency-backed MBS portfolio during the second quarter of 2015.

As of June 30, 2015, the Company maintained a hedge position equal to approximately 97% of its outstanding repurchase agreement financing on its agency-backed MBS with an average duration of approximately six years to mitigate adverse impacts to the portfolio as interest rates rise. As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, 31% and 35%, respectively, of the Company's total hedge portfolio was comprised of long-term 10-year hedges with the remaining amount of hedges comprised of Eurodollar futures that generally roll on a consecutive quarterly basis over the next four years. The increase in interest rates had a meaningful positive impact on the value of the Company's derivative hedging instruments during the second quarter of 2015.

As a result of the above factors, the Company recorded net investment losses on its agency-backed MBS of \$62.1 million and net investment gains on its related derivative hedging instruments of \$30.4 million for a combined net investment loss of \$31.7 million, or \$1.37 per share, during the second quarter of 2015. This net change in values of the Company's hedged agency-backed MBS portfolio was a key driver in the decline in the Company's book value of \$1.12 per share from \$24.83 per share as of March 31, 2015 to \$23.71 per share as of June 30, 2015.

The Company views its agency-backed MBS strategy over an investment cycle. As spreads widen and tighten, and as the curve may steepen or flatten, the Company seeks to invest available capital opportunistically while maintaining sufficient liquidity to stay in the agency-backed MBS investment over an extended period of time. The Company expects that this strategy will allow it to earn its targeted investment spread over the investment cycle, but can result in fluctuations in its book value per share over certain market periods as demonstrated during the second quarter of 2015. However, the Company believes that the primary market driver of this periodic fluctuation in book value per share offers increased opportunity for attractive returns on newly acquired investments in agency-backed MBS due to the widened spread between the yield to be earned on these new investments and the hedged cost to fund their acquisition.

The Company constantly monitors its allocation of its available capital between agency-backed MBS and private-label MBS in an effort to maximize return to its shareholders. As of June 30, 2015, the Company's available capital was allocated approximately 77% to agency-backed MBS and 23% to private label MBS compared to 61% to agency-backed MBS and 39% to private-label MBS as of December 31, 2014. Overall, the Company believes that returns on its legacy private-label MBS portfolio have plateaued as many of its investments have reached the Company's price targets. As a result, the Company continued to opportunistically reallocate capital from its legacy private-label MBS into higher returning investments. During the second quarter of 2015, the Company sold private-label MBS for sale proceeds of \$89.6 million realizing a gain of \$13.1 million for net sale proceeds of \$66.8 million after deducting associated repurchase financing. The change in value of the Company's private-label MBS portfolio during the second quarter inclusive of the sale price for sold private-label MBS contributed to an \$0.18 per share decline in book value. The available capital from the sale of private-label MBS was generally reinvested into agency-backed MBS on a levered basis during the quarter at what the Company believes are at attractive risk-adjusted return levels. The Company has seen small pockets of new investment opportunities in private-label MBS having invested \$2.9 million of capital into new private-label MBS during the quarter. The Company remains cautiously optimistic that it could see additional investment opportunities in private-label MBS although the volume of new investments at the Company's targeted investment returns is uncertain. The Company expects to continue to opportunistically reallocate capital from its matured legacy private-label MBS portfolio into new higher returning investments.

As of June 30, 2015, the Company's debt to equity ratio was 6.8 to 1, an increase from 6.0 to 1 as of March 31, 2015. Including the Company's net purchased securities payable, the Company's debt to equity ratio was 7.3 to 1 as of June 30, 2015, an increase from 6.2 to 1 as of March 31, 2015. The increase in the Company's overall leverage is the result of the reallocation of capital from its private-label MBS portfolio to its agency-backed MBS portfolio.

The Company is subject to taxation as a corporation under Subchapter C of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). However, the Company currently has net operating loss ("NOL") and net capital loss ("NCL") carry-forwards that can be applied against the Company's current taxable ordinary income and net capital gains.

The Company declared a dividend of \$0.875 per share for the second quarter of 2015. The dividend was paid on July 31, 2015 to shareholders of record as of June 30, 2015. The Company continues to maintain a variable dividend policy pursuant to which the Board of Directors evaluates dividends on a quarterly basis and, in its sole discretion, may

approve the payment of dividends. The Company considers many factors in determining the amount of its quarterly dividends, including its net income determined in accordance with GAAP, non-GAAP core operating income measures, book value per share, liquidity, expectations of future performance, among other factors.

#### **Non-GAAP Core Operating Income**

In addition to the financial results reported in accordance with GAAP, the Company calculated non-GAAP core operating income measurements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014. In determining core operating income, the Company excludes certain legacy litigation expenses and adjusts net income determined in accordance with GAAP for the following non-cash and other items: (1) compensation costs associated with stock-based awards, (2) non-cash accretion of private-label MBS purchase discounts, (3) private-label MBS purchase discount accretion realized upon sale or repayment, (4) other-than-temporary impairment charges, (5) other-than-temporary impairment charges realized upon sale, (6) both realized and unrealized gains and losses on agency-backed MBS and all related hedge instruments, and (7) non-cash income tax provisions. During the first quarter of 2015, the Company has chosen to modify non-GAAP core operating income to better reflect the attributes of the business and total performance of its MBS portfolio. The Company now includes in core operating income in the period it sells a private-label MBS investment any other-than-temporary impairment ("OTTI") charges on the investment previously recognized in prior periods. As a result, the Company has revised its previously reported core operating income for the prior periods presented below to conform to the new revised presentation.

The Company's portfolio strategy on its agency-backed MBS portfolio is to generate a net interest margin on the leveraged assets and hedge the market value of the assets, expecting that the fluctuations in the market value of the agency-backed MBS and related hedges should largely offset each other over time. As a result, the Company excludes both the realized and unrealized fluctuations in the gains and losses in the assets and hedges on its hedged, agency-backed MBS portfolio when assessing the underlying core operating income of the Company. However, the Company's portfolio strategy on the Company's private-label MBS portfolio is to generate a total cash return comprised of both coupon interest income collected and the cash return realized when the private-label MBS are sold that equals the difference between the sale price and the discount to par paid at acquisition. Therefore, the Company excludes non-cash accretion of private-label MBS purchase discounts from non-GAAP core operating income, but includes realized cash gains or losses on its private-label MBS portfolio in core operating income to reflect the total cash return on those securities over their holding period. Since the timing of realized cash gains or losses on private-label MBS may vary significantly between periods, the Company also reports non-GAAP core operating income excluding gains on private-label MBS.

These non-GAAP core operating income measurements are used by management to analyze and assess the Company's operating results on its portfolio and assist with the determination of the appropriate level of dividends. The Company believes that these non-GAAP measurements assist investors in understanding the impact of these non-core items and non-cash expenses on our performance and provides additional clarity around our earnings capacity and trends. A limitation of utilizing these non-GAAP measures is that the GAAP accounting effects of these events do in fact reflect the underlying financial results of our business and these effects should not be ignored in evaluating and analyzing our financial results. Additional limitations of core operating income are that it does not include economic financing costs of the Company's hedging instruments or amortization of premiums or discounts on the Company's agency-backed MBS whereas both those amounts are reflected in net income determined in accordance with GAAP within the line item net investment gain (loss) in the statement of comprehensive income. Therefore, the Company believes net income on a GAAP basis and core operating income on a non-GAAP basis should be considered together.

The Company's non-GAAP core operating income increased to \$40.6 million, or \$1.76 per diluted share, for the three months ended June 30, 2015 compared to \$23.0 million, or \$1.15 per diluted share, for the three months ended June 30, 2014. The Company's non-GAAP core operating income increased to \$75.1 million, or \$3.25 per diluted share, for the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to \$40.5 million, or \$2.18 per diluted share, for the six months ended June 30, 2014. The non-GAAP core operating income for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 benefited from the cash gains from the sales of private-label MBS. The Company's non-GAAP core operating income excluding sales of private-label MBS was \$30.5 million, or \$1.32 per diluted share, and \$59.9 million, or \$2.59 per diluted share, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, respectively. The Company's non-GAAP core operating income excluding sales of private-label MBS was \$23.6 million, or \$1.18 per diluted share, and \$41.5 million, or \$2.23 per diluted share, for the three and six months ended June 30, 2014, respectively. As the Company's allocation of capital to agency-backed MBS has continued to grow, the higher net interest income associated from that portfolio has also contributed to an increase in the Company's core operating income per share. The economic costs of the Company's hedge instruments have generally increased proportionately with the growth in the agency-backed MBS portfolio. However, the economic costs of the Company's hedge instruments are ultimately reflected through net income per share determined in accordance with GAAP and changes in book value per share rather than core operating income per share.

The following is a reconciliation of GAAP net income to non-GAAP core operating income measures for the three and six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 (dollars in thousands, except per share data):

	Three Months Ended June 30,				
	2015	2014 Revised	2014 As Previously Reported		
GAAP net income	\$6,601	\$18,839	\$ 18,839		
Adjustments:					
Legacy litigation expenses <sup>(a)</sup>		43	43		
Non-cash income tax provision	5,174	11,782	11,782		
Stock compensation	370	779	779		
Net realized and unrealized loss (gain) on trading MBS and hedge instruments	31,458	(3,199)	(3,199)		

Realized gain on private-label MBS	(13,117)	(4,690)	(4,690	)
Other-than-temporary impairment charges	_	80	80	
Non-GAAP core operating income excluding gain on private-label MBS	30,486	23,634	23,634	
Realized gain on private-label MBS	13,117	4,690	4,690	
Other-than-temporary impairment charges realized upon sale or repayment	(6,081)	(1,390)	_	
Purchase discount accretion of private-label MBS realized upon sale or repayment	5,357	(526)	(526	)
Non-cash interest income related to purchase discount accretion of private-label MBS	(2,327)	(3,408)	(3,408	)
Non-GAAP core operating income	\$40,552	\$23,000	\$ 24,390	
Non-GAAP core operating income excluding gain on private-label MBS per diluted share	\$1.32	\$1.18	\$ 1.18	
Non-GAAP core operating income per diluted share	\$1.76	\$1.15	\$ 1.22	
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding	23,098	20,060	20,060	

	Six Months Ended June 30,				
	2015	2014 Revised	2014 As Previously Reported		
GAAP net (loss) income	\$(35,584)	\$25,872	\$ 25,872		
Adjustments:					
Legacy litigation expenses <sup>(a)</sup>	_	54	54		
Non-cash income tax provision	17,306	15,986	15,986		
Stock compensation	481	1,456	1,456		
Net realized and unrealized loss on trading MBS and hedge instruments	94,185	7,434	7,434		
Realized gain on private-label MBS	(16,465)	(9,359)	(9,359)		
Other-than-temporary impairment charges	_	80	80		
Non-GAAP core operating income excluding gain on private-label MBS	59,923	41,523	41,523		
Realized gain on private-label MBS	16,465	9,359	9,359		
Other-than-temporary impairment charges realized upon sale or repayment	(6,081)	(4,026)			
Purchase discount accretion of private-label MBS realized upon sale or repayment	9,802	347	347		
Non-cash interest income related to purchase discount accretion of private-label MBS	(5,023)	(6,725)	(6,725)		
Non-GAAP core operating income	\$75,086	\$40,478	\$ 44,504		
Non-GAAP core operating income excluding gain on private-label MBS diluted per share	\$2.59	\$2.23	\$ 2.23		
Non-GAAP core operating income per diluted share	\$3.25	\$2.18	\$ 2.40		
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding	23,097	18,579	18,579		

Legacy litigation expenses relate to legal matters pertaining to events related to business activities the Company (a) completed or exited in or prior to 2009 — primarily debt extinguishment, sub-prime mortgage origination and securitization and broker/dealer operations.

## **Portfolio Overview**

The following table summarizes our MBS investment portfolio at fair value as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014 (dollars in thousands):

	June 30, 2015	<b>December 31, 2014</b>
Agency-backed MBS	\$ 4,154,387	\$ 3,414,340
Private-label MBS	152,162	267,437
Interest-only MBS	191	212
-	\$ 4,306,740	\$ 3,681,989

Our agency-backed MBS consisted of the following as of June 30, 2015 (dollars in thousands):

	Face Amount	Fair Value	Market Price	Coupon	Weighted Average Life
30-year fixed rate:					
3.5%	\$ 414,593	\$427,807	\$ 103.19	3.50 %	10.5
4.0%	3,252,318	3,457,923	106.32	4.00 %	8.7
4.5%	246,685	268,630	108.90	4.50 %	7.5
5.5%	24	27	112.55	5.50 %	5.0
Total/weighted-average	e \$ 3,913,620	\$4,154,387	106.15	3.98 %	8.8

Issuer	<b>Face Amount</b>	Fair Value	Market Price	Coupon		Weighted Average Life
Fannie Mae	\$ 2,430,633	\$2,582,614	\$ 106.25	3.98	%	8.8
Freddie Mac	1,482,987	1,571,773	105.99	3.97	%	8.8
Total/weighted-average	\$ 3,913,620	\$4,154,387	106.15	3.98	%	8.8

The three-month CPR for the Company's agency-backed MBS was 12.34% as of June 30, 2015. As of June 30, 2015, the Company's agency-backed MBS was comprised of securities specifically selected for their relatively lower propensity for prepayment including approximately 48% in specified pools backed by lower loan balances, approximately 30% in specified pools of loans refinanced through the U.S. Government sponsored Home Affordable Refinance Program ("HARP"), while the remainder includes specified pools of loans with low FICO scores or with other characteristics selected for their relatively lower propensity for prepayment. As of June 30, 2015, we had \$3.6 billion of outstanding repurchase agreement financing secured by \$3.8 billion of agency-backed MBS with a weighted-average cost of funding of 0.38%. During the three months ended June 30, 2015, we sold agency-backed MBS with a face value of \$138.5 million for total proceeds of \$148.0 million, realizing net losses of \$0.4 million from the acquisition price. During the six months ended June 30, 2015, we sold agency-backed MBS with a face value of \$260.4 million for total proceeds of \$278.7 million, realizing net losses of \$1.1 million from the acquisition price.

Our private-label MBS consisted of the following as of June 30, 2015 (dollars in thousands):

	Gross Unrealized							
Face Amount	Unamortized Discount	Amortized Cost	Gains	Losses	Fair Value	Coupon	Yield	
Re-REMIC \$ 198,934	\$ (66,315	\$ 132,619	\$ 19,543	\$ -	-\$152,162	2.95	% 9.48 %	

Our private-label MBS are re-REMIC tranches of beneficial interests in underlying, resecuritized private-label MBS issued by re-REMIC securitization trusts between 2005 and 2014. The underlying collateral of our re-REMIC securities are senior MBS and pro-rata mezzanine class MBS. For re-REMIC securities, the cash flows from, and any credit losses absorbed by, the underlying MBS are allocated among the re-REMIC securities issued in the re-securitization transactions based on the re-REMIC structure. For example, prime and non-prime residential senior securities have been resecuritized to create a two-tranche structure with a re-REMIC senior security and a re-REMIC subordinated security. In these re-REMIC securities, all principal payments from the underlying securities are directed to the re-REMIC senior security until the face value is fully paid off. Thereafter, all principal payments are directed to the re-REMIC subordinated security. For pro-rata mezzanine securities, principal payments from the underlying MBS are typically allocated concurrently and proportionally to the mezzanine securities along with senior securities. The re-REMIC subordinated and mezzanine securities absorb credit losses, if any, first; however, these credit losses occur only when credit losses exceed the credit protection provided to the underlying securities. Re-REMIC and mezzanine securities receive interest while any face value is outstanding. Our private-label MBS have approximately 0.1% in structural credit enhancement on a weighted-average basis, which, in addition to our purchase discount, provides protection to our invested capital.

As of June 30, 2015, we had \$39.4 million of outstanding repurchase agreement financing secured by \$70.6 million of private-label MBS with a weighted-average cost of funding of 2.12%. During the three months ended June 30, 2015, we received proceeds of \$89.6 million from the sale of our private-label MBS, realizing \$13.1 million in gains. During the six months ended June 30, 2015, we received proceeds of \$110.5 million from the sale of our private-label MBS, realizing \$16.5 million in gains. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2015, we purchased private-label MBS for \$2.9 million with a face amount of \$5.9 million. We did not record any OTTI charges during the six months ended June 30, 2015.

The Company attempts to hedge a portion of its exposure to interest rate fluctuations associated with its agency-backed MBS primarily through Eurodollar futures, interest rate swap futures, interest rate swaps, U.S. Treasury futures contracts, put options and certain commitments to purchase and sell MBS. As of June 30, 2015, the primary derivative instruments used by the Company were Eurodollar futures and 10-year interest rate swap futures that trade on either the Chicago Board of Trade Exchange or the Eris Exchange.

Eurodollar futures represent forward starting three-month LIBOR contracts. The Company generally sells sequential series, or "strips," of Eurodollar futures with the objective of economically (i) fixing future interest payments that will stem from its short-term repurchase agreement borrowings that, at their contractual maturity, are intended to be "rolled-over" and (ii) offsetting periodic changes in the fair value of its fixed rate agency-backed MBS investments that are attributable to changes in interest rates. The implied contract rate of a sold Eurodollar future contract, as shown in the table to follow, can be thought of as the future periodic rate of interest that the Company has economically "locked-in" for its future short-term borrowings (for a borrowed amount that is equal to the notional amount of the Eurodollar futures with a final settlement date within that future period). The Company's Eurodollar future contracts generally run consecutively on a quarterly basis through June 2020 with a weighted average notional amount of \$2,427 million as of June 30, 2015. As of June 30, 2015, the notional amounts of Eurodollar futures contracts, presented by their contractual final settlement dates, are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Notional Amount	Fair Value		Fair Value		Fair Value Implied Contract Rate		Market Rat	e
Third quarter 2015	\$2,465,000	\$ (9,445	)	1.90	%	0.37	%		
Fourth quarter 2015	2,465,000	(9,670	)	2.10	%	0.53	%		
First quarter 2016	2,465,000	(9,023	)	2.18	%	0.72	%		
Second quarter 2016	2,465,000	(8,034	)	2.23	%	0.92	%		
Third quarter 2016	2,465,000	(5,481	)	2.04	%	1.15	%		
Fourth quarter 2016	2,465,000	(4,967	)	2.18	%	1.37	%		
First quarter 2017	2,465,000	(5,214	)	2.40	%	1.55	%		
Second quarter 2017	2,465,000	(5,425	)	2.62	%	1.73	%		
Third quarter 2017	2,465,000	(5,616	)	2.80	%	1.89	%		
Fourth quarter 2017	2,465,000	(5,809	)	2.98	%	2.04	%		
First quarter 2018	2,465,000	(5,984	)	3.14	%	2.17	%		
Second quarter 2018	2,465,000	(6,150	)	3.28	%	2.28	%		
Third quarter 2018	2,465,000	(6,058	)	3.38	%	2.40	%		
Fourth quarter 2018	2,465,000	(5,814	)	3.46	%	2.52	%		
First quarter 2019	2,585,000	(3,222	)	3.11	%	2.61	%		
Second quarter 2019	2,585,000	(3,088	)	3.19	%	2.71	%		
Third quarter 2019	1,460,000	(45	)	2.81	%	2.80	%		
Fourth quarter 2019	260,000	159		2.65	%	2.89	%		
First quarter 2020	30,000	(5	)	3.03	%	2.97	%		
Second quarter 2020	30,000	(4	)	3.10	%	3.05	%		
Total/weighted-average	\$41,460,000	\$ (98,895	)	2.69	%	1.74	%		

The Company's longer-duration hedge instruments consist primarily of 10-year interest rate swap futures. Interest rate swap futures are uniquely designed to replicate the over-the-counter interest rate swap economics and are valued based on the difference between a series of semi-annual fixed interest rate payments and quarterly floating interest rate payments based on a three-month LIBOR rate over the term to maturity. Interest rate swap futures may either mature or "roll" on a quarterly basis or be held until maturity. As of June 30, 2015, the notional amounts of 10-year interest rate swap futures are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	N	otional Amount	Fair Value		Implied Contract Rate		Market Rat	e
September 2015	\$	710,000	\$ (3,455	)	2.58	%	2.53	%
March 2024		365,000	(37,172	)	3.15	%	2.35	%
Total/weighted-average	\$	1,075,000	\$ (40,627	)	2.77	%	2.47	%

The Company's 10-year interest rate swap futures that mature in September 2015 trade on the Chicago Board of Trade Exchange. The Company expects to roll forward this hedge position on a quarterly basis with any adjustments to the notional amount based on the changes in the Company's agency-backed MBS portfolio and related repurchase agreement financing as well as the Company's expectations of market conditions. The Company's 10-year interest rate swap futures that mature in March 2024 were originally purchased in December 2013, and the Company may periodically modify this hedge position based on the factors above.

#### **Results of Operations**

#### **Operating Income**

Our operating income consists primarily of net interest income and net investment gains and losses on our hedged MBS portfolio. Net interest income consists of interest income on our MBS portfolio less interest expense on our short-term repurchase agreement financing and long-term debt. Interest income for the Company's agency-backed MBS is based on the contractual coupon. Purchase premiums or discounts, if any, on our agency-backed MBS portfolio are not amortized into interest income, but, instead, are a component of the fair value adjustments to the agency-backed MBS portfolio recorded in investment gain (loss), net.

Interest income on the private-label MBS, which are generally purchased at a discount to face value, is recognized based on the security's expected effective interest rate. At acquisition, the accretable yield is calculated as the difference between the undiscounted expected cash flows and the purchase price, which is expected to be accreted into interest income over the remaining life of the security on a level-yield basis. The difference between the contractually required payments and the undiscounted expected cash flows represents the non-accretable difference. Based on actual payment activities and changes in estimates of undiscounted expected future cash flows, the accretable yield and the non-accretable difference can change over time. Actual cash collections that exceed our prior estimates and/or positive changes in our periodic estimates of expected future cash flows increase the accretable yield and are recognized prospectively, through the use of a revised effective interest rate, as incremental interest income over the remaining life of the security. As a result, if our periodic estimates of future cash flows are higher than those actually received in future periods, we may recognize non-cash interest income over certain portions of the security's holding period that exceeds the level of effective interest income that will ultimately be realized. In addition, as a result of upward revisions in a security's effective interest rate, we may be subject to more frequent non-cash OTTI charges that are cumulatively higher than actual losses ultimately realized on the security.

Net investment gains and losses include net realized gains and losses and OTTI charges on our available-for-sale MBS portfolio, net realized and unrealized gains and losses on our trading MBS portfolio, and net realized and unrealized gains and losses on our derivative hedge portfolio.

We evaluate available-for-sale securities for OTTI charges at least on a quarterly basis, and more frequently when economic or market concerns warrant such evaluation. When the fair value of an available-for-sale security is less than its amortized cost at the reporting date, the security is considered impaired. In evaluating these available-for-sale securities for OTTI charges, consideration is given to (1) the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been lower than carrying value, (2) the severity of the decline in fair value, (3) the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, (4) our intent to sell, and (5) whether it is more-likely-than-not we would be required to sell the security before anticipated recovery.

For available-for-sale, private-label MBS securities that have been acquired with evidence of credit deterioration since origination, on a quarterly basis we re-estimate the amount and timing of cash flows expected to be collected based upon current information and events. For securities that are impaired, we compare the present value of our revised estimate of the amount and timing of expected cash flows, discounted at the security's existing effective interest rate used for interest income recognition, to the security's amortized cost basis. Any shortfall between the present value of cash flows expected to be collected and the security's amortized cost basis is recognized as an OTTI charge in net income.

The Company's derivative instruments that are intended to economically hedge agency-backed MBS and related borrowings are not designated as cash flow hedges under GAAP. As a result, all gains and losses on these instruments are included in net investment gains and losses on the statement of comprehensive income, including any implied periodic economic financing costs.

#### **Expenses**

Compensation and benefits expense includes base salaries, annual incentive cash compensation and non-cash stock-based compensation. Salaries, payroll taxes and employee benefits are relatively fixed in nature. Annual incentive cash compensation is based on meeting estimated annual performance measures and discretionary components. Non-cash stock-based compensation includes expenses associated with all stock-based awards granted to employees, including the Company's performance share units to named executive officers.

Professional services expense includes accounting, legal and consulting fees. Many of these expenses, such as legal fees, are to a large extent variable related to level of transactions, ongoing litigation and initiatives.

Insurance expense includes professional liability and property insurance. Occupancy and equipment expense includes rental costs for our facilities and depreciation and amortization of equipment and software. Board of director fees include annual cash and stock awards. Other operating expenses include communication expenses, business development costs, printing and copying, business licenses and taxes, offices supplies and other miscellaneous office expenses. These expenses are largely fixed in nature.

### Three months ended June 30, 2015 compared to three months ended June 30, 2014

We reported net income of \$6.6 million, or \$0.29 per diluted share, for the three months ended June 30, 2015 compared to net income of \$18.8 million, or \$0.94 per diluted share, for the three months ended June 30, 2014 which included the following results for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands, except per share amounts):

	T	<b>Three Months Ended June</b>			ed June 30,
	2	015		2	014
Interest income	\$	38,690		\$	30,063
Interest expense		4,575			2,676
Net interest income		34,115			27,387
Investment (loss) gain, net		(18,036	)		7,906
Other expenses		3,831			4,380
Income before income taxes		12,248			30,913
Income tax provision		5,647			12,074
Net income	\$	6,601		\$	18,839
Dilutive earnings per share	\$	0.29		\$	0.94
Weighted-average diluted shares outstanding		23,098			20,060

#### Net Interest Income

Net interest income increased \$6.7 million, or 24.5%, from \$27.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 to \$34.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015. The increase is due primarily to an \$8.6 million increase due to a change in volume (average balance) and a \$1.2 million decrease due to a change in net rate on our MBS investment portfolio as discussed below. The increase in the average balance of our agency-backed MBS is primarily the result of deploying our investable capital generated from the capital raised from our public equity offerings in 2014 and public debt offering in 2015 as well as reinvesting proceeds from the sale of private-label MBS into agency-backed MBS on a levered basis. See additional yield analysis below.

The components of net interest income from our MBS portfolio, excluding interest expense on unsecured long-term debt, are summarized in the following table (dollars in thousands):

	Three Mon	ths Ended Ju	ıne 30,			
	2015			2014		
	Average	Income	Yield	Average	Income	Yield
	Balance	(Expense)	(Cost)	Balance	(Expense)	(Cost)
Agency-backed MBS	\$3,690,506	\$ 34,529	3.74 %	\$2,450,773	\$ 23,184	3.78 %
Private-label MBS:						
Senior securities	_	_		_	_	_
Re-REMIC securities	176,813	4,155	9.40 %	263,866	6,852	10.39 %
Other investments	191	5	11.40 %	274	7	10.27 %
	\$3,867,510	38,689	4.00 %	\$2,714,913	30,043	4.43 %
Other (1)		1			20	
		38,690			30,063	
Repurchase agreements	\$3,463,587	(3,395	) (0.39 )%	\$2,300,868	(2,124	(0.37)%
Net interest income/spread		\$ 35,295	3.61 %		\$ 27,939	4.06 %

The increase in net interest income from our MBS portfolio of \$7.4 million from \$27.9 million from the three months ended June 30, 2014 to \$35.3 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 is primarily due to the increase in our agency-backed MBS portfolio as discussed above. The decrease in yield in the overall MBS portfolio is primarily related to the decrease in the higher yielding unlevered private-label MBS portfolio from the prior period. Interest income from other investments represents interest on interest-only MBS.

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes interest income on cash and other miscellaneous interest-earning assets.

The effects of changes in the composition of our investments on our net interest income from our MBS investment activities are summarized below (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended June vs. Three Months Ended June Rate <sup>(1)</sup> Volume <sup>(1)</sup>					ıge
MBS:			, 0101110		100010101	-8-
Agency-backed MBS	\$ (257	)	\$ 11,602		\$ 11,345	
Private-label MBS:						
Senior securities					_	
Re-REMIC securities	(603	)	(2,094	)	(2,697	)
Total private-label MBS	(603	)	(2,094	)	(2,697	)
Total MBS	(860	)	9,508		8,648	
Other interest	<del></del>		(21	)	(21	)
Repurchase agreements	(356	)	(915	)	(1,271	)
- 0	\$ (1,216	)	\$ 8.572		\$ 7,356	

The change in interest income and interest expense due to both rate and volume has been allocated to rate and volume changes in proportion to the relationship of the absolute dollar amounts of the change in each.

Interest expense related to repurchase agreements increased \$1.3 million, or 61.9%, to \$3.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 from \$2.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 due to the increase in repurchase agreement borrowings. Our repurchase borrowings increased primarily as a result of leveraging the net proceeds raised from our public equity offerings in 2014, public debt offering in 2015 and sales of private-label MBS into purchases of new agency-backed MBS.

Interest expense related to long-term debt was \$1.2 million and \$0.6 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The increase in interest expense on long-term debt is attributable to the issuance of \$35.3 million of senior notes in March 2015.

Investment (Loss) Gain, Net

Total investment (loss) gain, net, increased \$25.9 million from a gain of \$7.9 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 to a loss of \$18.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 primarily due to an increase in net investment losses as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		
	2015	2014	
Realized gains on sale of available-for-sale investments, net	\$ 13,117	\$ 4,690	
OTTI charges on available-for-sale securities		(80)	
(Losses) gains on trading investments, net	(61,849	) 49,694	
Gains (losses) from derivative instruments, net	30,391	(46,585)	
Other, net	305	187	
Investment (loss) gain, net	\$ (18,036	) \$ 7,906	

The Company's available-for-sale investments substantially consist of the Company's private-label MBS acquired prior to 2015. The realized gains on sale of available-for-sale investments, net, recognized for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 were primarily the result of \$89.6 million and \$21.5 million of proceeds received, respectively, from the sales of private-label MBS resulting in a realized gain of \$13.1 million and \$4.7 million, respectively.

We recorded no OTTI charges for the three months ended June 30, 2015 on available-for-sale, private-label MBS. We recorded OTTI charges of \$0.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 on available-for-sale, private-label MBS with a cost basis of \$2.2 million prior to recognizing the OTTI charges. OTTI charges represent the excess of the amortized cost basis over the net present value of expected future cash flows discounted using the current yield used for interest income recognition.

The Company's trading investments primarily consists of agency-backed MBS. The \$61.8 million of losses on trading investments, net, recognized for the three months ended June 30, 2015 were primarily the result of net mark-to-market unrealized loss adjustments as well as net realized losses from sales of trading investments. During the three months ended June 30, 2015, the Company sold trading agency-backed MBS securities for total proceeds of \$148.0 million that had \$0.4 million in net cumulative losses from the acquisition price. The net investment loss on trading investments for the three months ended June 30, 2015 was attributed primarily to an increase in interest rates and widening mortgage spreads during the period. The \$49.7 million of gains on trading investments, net, recognized for the three months ended June 30, 2014 were the result of net mark-to-market unrealized gain adjustments. There were no sales of trading agency-backed investments for the three months ended June 30, 2014.

The Company's derivative instruments consist primarily of Eurodollar futures, 10-year swap futures and 10-year U.S. Treasury note futures as well as commitments to purchase or sell agency-backed MBS. The \$30.4 million of gains from derivative instruments, net, recognized for the three months ended June 30, 2015 were the result of net realized and unrealized mark-to-market gain adjustments. The derivative instruments closed during the three months ended June 30, 2015 had \$1.1 million in net cumulative losses from the contract price. The \$46.6 million of losses from derivative instruments, net, recognized for the three months ended June 30, 2014 were the result of net realized and unrealized mark-to-market loss adjustments. The derivative instruments closed during the three months ended June 30, 2014 had \$10.2 million in net cumulative losses from the contract price. During periods of falling interest rates, the Company will generally experience losses on its derivative instruments and during periods of rising interest rates, the Company will generally experience gains on its derivative instruments. The gains from derivative instruments during the three months ended June 30, 2015 were due primarily to an increase in interest rates during the period. The 10-year U.S. Treasury rate increased from 1.94% as of March 31, 2015 to 2.35% as of June 30, 2015.

The value of our hedging instruments is expected to fluctuate inversely relative to the change in value of the agency-backed MBS portfolio. However, the degree of correlation between price movements of our hedging instruments and price movements of our agency-backed MBS portfolio may vary. While our hedging instruments are designed to protect our agency-backed MBS portfolio from interest rate risk, they are not generally designed to protect our net book value from spread risk, which is the risk of an increase of the market spread between the yield on our agency-backed MBS and the benchmark yield on U.S. Treasury securities or interest rate swaps.

#### Other Expenses

Other expenses decreased by \$0.6 million, or 13.6%, from \$4.4 million for the three months ended June 30, 2014 to \$3.8 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015, primarily due to a decrease in expenses for compensation and benefits. The decrease in compensation and benefits expenses is primarily a result of decreases in stock-based compensation attributable to a decline in the performance measurements for certain of the Company's performance share units granted to executive officers.

Income Tax Provision

The Company's income tax provision was \$5.6 million and \$12.1 million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, representing an effective income tax rate of 46.1% and 39.1%, respectively. The increase in the effective income tax rate for the three months ended June 30, 2015 is attributable to a modest increase in the Company's valuation allowance on its deferred income tax asset.

Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Other comprehensive income (loss) includes current unrealized gains (losses) for mark-to-market changes in the Company's available-for-sale MBS portfolio as well as reclassifications related to reversal of prior period unrealized gains or losses upon realization for a sale or repayment of available-for-sale MBS. Other comprehensive loss was \$(13.1) million and \$(1.2) million for the three months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. For the three months ended June 30, 2015, other comprehensive loss included net unrealized mark-to-market gains of \$0.3 million on the available-for-sale MBS portfolio, net of a tax provision of \$0.1 million, and \$17.6 million of reversal of prior period net unrealized gains upon the sale of available-for-sale MBS, net of a tax benefit of \$4.3 million. For the three months ended June 30, 2014, other comprehensive loss included net unrealized mark-to-market gains of \$2.5 million on the available-for-sale MBS portfolio, net of a tax provision of \$1.0 million, \$4.5 million of reversal of prior period net unrealized gains upon the sale of available-for-sale MBS, net of a tax benefit of \$1.8 million, and \$80.1 thousand of OTTI charges on available-for-sale securities, net of a tax provision of \$31.1 thousand.

Six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to six months ended June 30, 2014

We reported a net loss of \$35.6 million, or \$1.55 per diluted share, for the six months ended June 30, 2015 compared to net income of \$25.9 million, or \$1.39 per diluted share, for the six months ended June 30, 2014 which included the following results for the periods indicated (dollars in thousands, except per share amounts):

	Six Months Ended June 3		
	2015	2014	
Interest income	\$ 75,654	\$ 53,930	
Interest expense	8,303	4,961	
Net interest income	67,351	48,969	
Investment (loss) gain, net	(77,407	) 1,992	
Other expenses	7,139	8,535	
(Loss) income before income taxes	(17,195	) 42,426	
Income tax provision	18,389	16,554	
Net (loss) income	\$ (35,584	) \$ 25,872	
Diluted (loss) earnings per share	\$ (1.55	) \$ 1.39	
Weighted-average diluted shares outstanding	22,976	18,579	

Net Interest Income

Net interest income increased \$18.4 million, or 37.6%, from \$49.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014 to \$67.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015. The increase is due primarily to a \$20.9 million increase due to a change in volume (average balance) and a \$1.8 million decrease due to a change in net rate on our MBS investment portfolio as discussed below. The increase in the average balance of our agency-backed MBS is primarily the result of deploying our investable capital generated from the capital raised from our public equity offerings in 2014 and public debt offering in 2015 as well as reinvesting proceeds from the sale of private-label MBS into agency-backed MBS on a levered basis. See additional yield analysis below.

The components of net interest income from our MBS portfolio, excluding interest expense on unsecured long-term debt, are summarized in the following table (dollars in thousands):

	Six Months	<b>Ended June</b>	30,			
	2015			2014		
	Average	Income	Yield	Average	Income	Yield
	Balance	(Expense)	(Cost)	Balance	(Expense)	(Cost)
Agency-backed MBS	\$3,538,278	\$ 66,443	3.76 %	\$2,111,619	\$ 39,892	3.78 %
Private-label MBS:						
Senior securities				2,731	226	16.55 %
Re-REMIC securities	194,023	9,198	9.48 %	268,960	13,776	10.24 %
Other investments	197	11	11.17 %	289	15	10.34 %
	\$3,732,498	75,652	4.05 %	\$2,383,599	53,909	4.52 %
Other (1)		2			21	
		75,654			53,930	
Repurchase agreements	\$3,341,379	(6,475	(0.39)%	\$1,990,904	(3,858	(0.39)%
Net interest income/spread		\$ 69,179	3.66 %		\$ 50,072	4.13 %

The increase in net interest income from our MBS portfolio of \$19.1 million from \$50.1 million from the six months ended June 30, 2014 to \$69.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 is primarily due to the increase in our agency-backed MBS portfolio as discussed above. The decrease in yield in the overall MBS portfolio is primarily related to the decrease in the higher yielding unlevered private-label MBS portfolio from the prior period. Interest income from other investments represents interest on interest-only MBS.

The effects of changes in the composition of our investments on our net interest income from our MBS investment activities are summarized below (dollars in thousands):

	Six Mon	ths Ended June	30, 2015		
	vs. Six Months Ended June 30, 2014				
	Rate (1)	Volume (1)	<b>Total Change</b>		
MBS:					
Agency-backed MBS	\$ (241	) \$ 26,792	\$ 26,551		
Private-label MBS:					
Senior securities	(113	) (113 )	(226)		

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes interest income on cash and other miscellaneous interest-earning assets.

Re-REMIC securities	(965	)	(3,613	)	(4,578	)
Total private-label MBS	(1,078	)	(3,726	)	(4,804	)
Total MBS	(1,319	)	23,066		21,747	
Other interest			(23	)	(23	)
Repurchase agreements	(448	)	(2,169	)	(2,617	)
	\$ (1,767	)	\$ 20,874		\$ 19,107	

The change in interest income and interest expense due to both rate and volume has been allocated to rate and volume changes in proportion to the relationship of the absolute dollar amounts of the change in each.

Interest expense related to repurchase agreements increased \$2.6 million, or 66.7%, to \$6.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 from \$3.9 million for the six months ended June 31, 2014 due to the increase in repurchase agreement borrowings. Our repurchase borrowings increased primarily as a result of leveraging the net proceeds raised from our public equity offerings in 2014, public debt offering in 2015 and sales of private-label MBS into purchases of new agency-backed MBS.

Interest expense related to long-term debt was \$1.8 million and \$1.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The increase in interest expense on long-term debt is attributable to the issuance of \$35.3 million of senior notes in March 2015.

Investment (Loss) Gain, Net

Total investment (loss) gain, net, increased \$79.4 million from a gain of \$2.0 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014 to a loss of \$77.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 primarily due to an increase in net investment losses as follows (dollars in thousands):

	Six Months Ended June 30,			
	2015	2014		
Realized gains on sale of available-for-sale investments, net	\$ 16,465	\$ 9,359		
OTTI charges on available-for-sale securities		(80	)	
(Losses) gains on trading investments, net	(48,558	) 62,454		
Losses from derivative instruments, net	(45,728	) (70,065	)	
Other, net	414	324		
Investment (loss) gain, net	\$ (77,407	) \$ 1,992		

The Company's available-for-sale investments substantially consist of the Company's private-label MBS acquired prior to 2015. The realized gains on sale of available-for-sale investments, net, recognized for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 were primarily the result of \$110.5 million and \$37.2 million of proceeds received, respectively, from the sales of private-label MBS resulting in a realized gain of \$16.5 million and \$9.4 million, respectively.

We recorded no OTTI charges for the six months ended June 30, 2015 on available-for-sale, private-label MBS. We recorded OTTI charges of \$0.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014 on available-for-sale, private-label MBS with a cost basis of \$2.2 million prior to recognizing the OTTI charges. OTTI charges represent the excess of the amortized cost basis over the net present value of expected future cash flows discounted using the current yield used for interest income recognition.

The Company's trading investments primarily consists of agency-backed MBS. The \$48.6 million of losses on trading investments, net, recognized for the six months ended June 30, 2015 were primarily the result of net mark-to-market unrealized loss adjustments as well as net realized losses from sales of trading investments. During the six months ended June 30, 2015, the Company sold trading agency-backed MBS securities for total proceeds of \$278.7 million that had \$1.1 million in net cumulative losses from the acquisition price. The net investment loss on trading investments for the six months ended June 30, 2015 was attributable primarily to an increase in interest rates and widening mortgage spreads during the period. The \$62.4 million of gains on trading investments, net, recognized for the six months ended June 30, 2014 were the result of net mark-to-market unrealized gain adjustments. There were no sales of trading agency-backed investments for the six months ended June 30, 2014.

The Company's derivative instruments consist primarily of Eurodollar futures, 10-year swap futures and 10-year U.S. Treasury note futures as well as commitments to purchase or sell agency-backed MBS. The \$45.7 million of losses from derivative instruments, net, recognized for the six months ended June 30, 2015 were the result of net realized and unrealized mark-to-market loss adjustments. The derivative instruments closed during the six months ended June 30, 2015 had \$26.0 million in net cumulative losses from the contract price. The \$70.1 million of losses from derivative instruments, net, recognized were the result of net realized and unrealized mark-to-market loss adjustments. The derivative instruments closed during the six months ended June 30, 2014 had \$16.8 million in net cumulative losses from the contract price.

Other Expenses

Other expenses decreased by \$1.4 million, or 16.5%, from \$8.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2014 to \$7.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015, primarily due to a decrease in expenses for compensation and benefits and professional services. The decrease in compensation and benefits expenses is primarily a result of decreases in stock-based compensation attributable to a decline in the performance measurements for certain of the Company's performance share units granted to executive officers. The decrease in professional services expenses is due primarily to a decline in legal fees compared to the prior period.

Income Tax Provision

The Company's income tax provision was \$18.4 million and \$16.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The income tax provision for the six months ended June 30, 2015 includes an increase in the valuation allowance against the deferred tax assets of \$28.8 million primarily from net capital losses generated during the six months ended June 30, 2015. The net capital losses for the six months ended June 30, 2015 were attributable primarily to realized and unrealized losses on certain of the Company's hedging instruments.

Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)

Other comprehensive income (loss) includes current unrealized gains (losses) for mark-to-market changes in the Company's available-for-sale MBS portfolio as well as reclassifications related to reversal of prior period unrealized gains or losses upon realization for a sale or repayment of available-for-sale MBS. Other comprehensive loss was \$(21.0) million and \$(3.3) million for the six months ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively. For the six months ended June 30, 2015, other comprehensive loss included net unrealized mark-to-market losses of \$3.9 million on the available-for-sale MBS portfolio, net of a tax benefit of \$1.4 million, and \$24.3 million of reversal of prior period net unrealized gains upon the sale of available-for-sale MBS, net of a tax benefit of \$5.8 million. For the six months ended June 30, 2014, other comprehensive loss included net unrealized mark-to-market gains of \$4.2 million on the available-for-sale MBS portfolio, net of a tax provision of \$1.6 million, \$9.1 million of reversal of prior period net unrealized gains upon the sale of available-for-sale MBS, net of a tax benefit of \$3.2 million, and \$80.1 thousand of OTTI charges on available-for-sale securities, net of a tax provision of \$31.1 thousand.

#### **Liquidity and Capital Resources**

Liquidity is a measurement of our ability to meet potential cash requirements including ongoing commitments to repay borrowings, fund investments, meet margin calls on our repurchase agreement borrowings and hedging instruments, and for other general business purposes. Our primary sources of funds for liquidity consist of short-term borrowings (*e.g.*, repurchase agreements), principal and interest payments on MBS and proceeds from sales of MBS. Other sources of liquidity include proceeds from the offering of common stock, preferred stock, debt securities or other securities registered pursuant to our effective shelf registration statement filed with the SEC.

To gain additional flexibility in accessing capital markets for, among other things, the acquisition of MBS and other assets, the repayment of outstanding indebtedness, the pursuit of growth initiatives that may include acquisitions, working capital, and for liquidity needs, we filed a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-193478) with the SEC (the "2014 Shelf Registration") that was declared effective by the SEC on February 5, 2014. The 2014 Shelf Registration statement permits us to issue and publicly distribute various types of securities, including Class A common stock, preferred stock, debt securities, warrants and units, or any combination of such securities, from time to time, in one or more offerings, up to an aggregate amount of \$750.0 million.

Liquidity, or ready access to funds, is essential to our business. Liquidity is of particular importance to our business and perceived liquidity issues may affect our counterparties' willingness to engage in transactions with us. Our liquidity could be impaired due to circumstances that we may be unable to control, such as a general market disruption or an operational problem that affects us or third parties. Further, our ability to sell assets may be impaired if other market participants are seeking to sell similar assets at the same time. If we cannot obtain funding from third parties or from our subsidiaries, our results of operations could be negatively impacted.

Potential future sources of liquidity for us include existing cash balances, borrowing capacity through margin accounts and repurchase agreements, cash flows from operations, principal repayments and sales of MBS, and future issuances of common stock, preferred stock, debt securities or other securities registered pursuant to our shelf registration statement. Funding for agency-backed MBS through repurchase agreements continues to be available to us at rates we consider to be attractive from multiple counterparties, and we believe there is additional capacity to finance our private-label MBS through repurchase agreement financing.

#### Cash Flows

As of June 30, 2015, our cash and cash equivalents totaled \$20.8 million, representing a net decrease of \$13.0 million from \$33.8 million as of December 31, 2014. The cash provided by operating activities of \$46.2 million during the six months ended June 30, 2015 was attributable primarily to net interest income less our expenses. The cash used in

investing activities of \$505.6 million during the six months ended June 30, 2015 relates primarily to purchases of agency-backed MBS and funding of deposits for margin calls on the Company's Eurodollar and 10-year swap futures contracts, partially offset by sales of agency-backed and private-label MBS and the principal payments received on agency-backed MBS. The cash provided by financing activities of \$446.4 million during the six months ended June 30, 2015 relates primarily to net proceeds from repurchase agreements used to finance a portion of the MBS portfolio and from proceeds from a completed public offering of debt securities, partially offset by dividend payments on common stock.

#### Sources of Funding

We believe that our existing cash balances, net investments in MBS, cash flows from operations, borrowing capacity and other sources of liquidity will be sufficient to meet our cash requirements for at least the next twelve months. We have obtained, and believe we will be able to continue to obtain, short-term financing in amounts and at interest rates consistent with our financing objectives. We may, however, seek debt or equity financings, in public or private transactions, to provide capital for corporate purposes and/or strategic business opportunities, including possible acquisitions, joint ventures, alliances or other business arrangements which could require substantial capital outlays. Our policy is to evaluate strategic business opportunities, including acquisitions and divestitures, as they arise. There can be no assurance that we will be able to generate sufficient funds from future operations, or raise sufficient debt or equity on acceptable terms, to take advantage of investment opportunities that become available. Should our needs ever exceed these sources of liquidity, we believe that most of our investments could be sold, in most circumstances, to provide cash. However, we may be required to sell our assets in such instances at depressed prices.

As of June 30, 2015, liquid assets consisted primarily of cash and cash equivalents of \$20.8 million and net investments in MBS of \$455.4 million. Cash equivalents consist primarily of money market funds invested in debt obligations of the U.S. government. The Company's net investments in MBS is calculated as the sum of the Company's total MBS investments at fair value and receivable for sold MBS, less the sum of the repurchase agreements outstanding and payable for purchased MBS. The \$455.4 million net investment in MBS includes \$81.6 million of unpledged private-label MBS.

As of June 30, 2015, our liabilities totaled \$4.1 billion. In addition to other payables and accrued expenses, our liabilities consisted of repurchase agreements and long-term debt. As of June 30, 2015, our debt-to-equity leverage ratio was 6.8 to 1. Including the Company's net purchased securities payable, the Company's debt to equity ratio was 7.3 to 1 as of June 30, 2015.

As of June 30, 2015, we had \$75.3 million of total long-term debt. Our trust preferred debt with a principal amount of \$15.0 million outstanding as of June 30, 2015 accrues and requires payment of interest quarterly at annual rates of three-month LIBOR plus 2.25% to 3.00% and matures between 2033 and 2035. Our 6.625% Senior Notes due 2023 with a principal amount of \$25.0 million outstanding as of June 30, 2015 accrue and require payment of interest quarterly at an annual rate of 6.625% and mature on May 1, 2023. Our 6.75% Senior Notes due 2025 with a principal amount of \$35.3 million outstanding as of June 30, 2015 accrue and require payment of interest quarterly at an annual rate of 6.75% and mature on March 15, 2025.

We also have short-term financing facilities that are structured as repurchase agreements with various financial institutions to primarily fund our portfolio of agency-backed MBS. Our repurchase agreements include provisions contained in the standard master repurchase agreement as published by the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association and may be amended and supplemented in accordance with industry standards for repurchase facilities. Our repurchase agreements include financial covenants, with which the failure to comply would constitute an event of default under the applicable repurchase agreement. Similarly, each repurchase agreement includes events of insolvency and events of default on other indebtedness as similar financial covenants. As provided in the standard master repurchase agreement as typically amended, upon the occurrence of an event of default or termination event, the applicable counterparty has the option to terminate all repurchase transactions under such counterparty's repurchase agreement and to demand immediate payment of any amount due from us to the counterparty.

Under our repurchase agreements, we may be required to pledge additional assets to our repurchase agreement counterparties in the event the estimated fair value of the existing pledged collateral under such agreements declines and such lenders demand additional collateral (*i.e.*, a margin call), which may take the form of additional securities or cash. Margin calls on repurchase agreements collateralized by our MBS investments primarily result from events such as declines in the value of the underlying mortgage collateral caused by factors such as rising interest rates or prepayments.

To date, we have not had any margin calls on our repurchase agreements that we were not able to satisfy with either cash or additional pledged collateral. However, should we encounter increases in interest rates or prepayments, margin calls on our repurchase agreements could result in a material adverse change in our liquidity position.

In the event that market conditions are such that we are unable to obtain financing for our investments in MBS in amounts and at interest rates consistent with our financing objectives, to the extent deemed appropriate, we may use cash to finance our investments or we may liquidate such investments. Accordingly, depending on market conditions, we may incur significant losses on any such sales of MBS.

The following table provides information regarding our outstanding repurchase agreement borrowings as of dates and periods indicated (dollars in thousands):

	June 30, 2015	<b>December 31, 2014</b>
Pledged with agency-backed MBS:		
Repurchase agreements outstanding	\$ 3,592,357	\$ 3,137,586
Agency-backed MBS collateral, at fair value	3,783,743	3,300,383
Net amount <sup>(1)</sup>	191,386	162,797
Weighted-average rate	0.38	% 0.38 %
Weighted-average term to maturity	14.0 days	14.0 days
Pledged with private-label MBS:		
Repurchase agreements outstanding	\$ 39,415	\$ 42,189
Private-label MBS collateral, at fair value	70,572	75,642
Net amount <sup>(1)</sup>	31,157	33,453
Weighted-average rate	2.12	% 1.98 %
Weighted-average term to maturity	22.0 days	21.8 days
Total MBS:		
Repurchase agreements outstanding	\$ 3,631,772	\$ 3,179,775
MBS collateral, at fair value	3,854,315	3,376,025
Net amount <sup>(1)</sup>	222,543	196,250
Weighted-average rate	0.40	% 0.40 %
Weighted-average term to maturity	14.1 days	14.1 days
Maximum amount outstanding at any month-end during the period	\$ 3,631,772	\$ 3,183,811

Net amount represents the value of collateral in excess of corresponding repurchase obligation. The amount of collateral at-risk is limited to the outstanding repurchase obligation and not the entire collateral balance.

In the normal course of its operations, the Company is a party to financial instruments that are accounted for as derivative financial instruments including Eurodollar futures, swap futures, U.S. Treasury futures contracts, interest rate swaps, put options and certain commitments to purchase and sell MBS. The exchange traded derivatives such as Eurodollar futures and swap futures are, in effect, settled on a daily basis by the exchange of cash variation margin. The Company may be required to pledge collateral for margin requirements with third-party custodians in connection with certain of its other derivative transactions. These transactions are not under master netting agreements. To date, we have not had any margin calls on our derivative agreements that we were not able to satisfy. However, if we encounter decreases in long-term interest rates, margin calls on our derivative agreements could result in a material adverse change in our liquidity position. As of June 30, 2015, the Company had outstanding exchange traded Eurodollar futures and 10-year swap futures with the following aggregate notional amount, net fair value and corresponding margin held in collateral deposit with the custodian (in thousands):

	June 30, 2015			
	Notional Net Fai		Collateral	
	Amount	Value	Deposit	
Eurodollar futures <sup>(1)</sup>	\$2,427,221	\$(98,895)	\$121,903	
10-year swap futures	1,075,000	(40,627)	57,952	

Represents the weighted-average notional of the Eurodollar futures contracts that mature on a quarterly basis from <sup>(1)</sup>September 2015 through June 2020. The total notional amount of all Eurodollar future contracts was \$41,460,000 as of June 30, 2015.

Federal Home Loan Bank Membership Application

In July 2015, the Company's wholly-owned captive insurance subsidiary, Key Bridge Insurance, LLC ("Key Bridge"), received approval of its application for membership to the Federal Home Loan Bank ("FHLB") of Cincinnati. The FHLB of Cincinnati, like each of the 11 regional FHLBs, is a cooperative that provides its member financial institutions with a number of financial products and services, including long and short-term secured borrowings that are known as "advances." FHLB advances may be collateralized by a number of real estate related assets, including agency-backed MBS. To become a member of an FHLB, following the approval of its membership application, a financial institution is required to acquire membership stock as well as activity-based stock (the amount of which is based upon the dollar amount of the member's outstanding advances) in that FHLB. Should Key Bridge become a member of the FHLB of Cincinnati, the Company will experience an increase in flexibility within its financing strategies and further diversify its sources of funds.

In September 2014, the Federal Housing Financing Agency ("FHFA") issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (the "Proposed Rule"), along with an associated request for comment, that, among other effects, proposes the exclusion of

captive insurance companies from eligibility for FHLB membership. If enacted, the Proposed Rule would result in the immediate termination of captive insurance companies as FHLB members that became members after the Proposed Rule's publication date. Such captive insurance companies could be required to immediately repay outstanding advances. Additionally, the FHLB would have up to five years to redeem the membership and activity-based stock held by such captive insurance companies. It is unclear whether the Proposed Rule will be enacted in its current form. The ultimate content of any final rule enacted by FHFA could have a material impact on Key Bridge's ability to obtain funding through the FHLB, should it become an FHLB member.

#### Dividends

Pursuant to our variable dividend policy, our Board of Directors evaluates dividends on a quarterly basis and, in its sole discretion, approves the payment of dividends. Our dividend payments, if any, may vary significantly quarter to quarter. The Board of Directors has approved and the Company has declared the following dividends to date in 2015:

Quarter Ended	Div	vidend Amount	<b>Declaration Date</b>	<b>Record Date</b>	Pay Date
June 30	\$	0.875	June 17	June 30	July 31
March 31		0.875	March 10	March 31	April 30

The Board of Directors approved and the Company declared and paid the following dividends for 2014:

Quarter Ended	Di	vidend Amount	<b>Declaration Date</b>	Record Date	Pay Date
December 31	\$	0.875	December 18	December 31	January 30, 2015
September 30		0.875	September 17	September 29	October 31
June 30		0.875	June 11	June 30	July 31
March 31		0.875	March 13	March 31	April 30

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### **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

As of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we did not maintain any relationships with unconsolidated entities or financial partnerships, such as entities often referred to as structured finance, or special purpose or variable interest entities, established for the purpose of facilitating off-balance sheet arrangements or other contractually narrow or limited purposes. Further, as of June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we had not guaranteed any obligations of unconsolidated entities or entered into any commitment or intent to provide funding to any such entities.

#### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk

Market risk generally represents the risk of loss through a change in realizable value that can result from a change in the prices of securities, a change in the value of financial instruments as a result of changes in interest rates, a change in the volatility of interest rates or a change in the credit rating of an issuer. We monitor market and business risk, including credit, interest rate, spread, equity, operations, liquidity, compliance, legal, reputational, and equity ownership risks through a number of control procedures designed to identify and evaluate the various risks to which our business and assets are exposed. See "Item 1 — Business" in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 for a discussion of our risk management strategies.

We are exposed to the following market risks as a result of our investments in MBS.

#### Credit Risk

Although we do not expect to encounter credit risk in our agency-backed MBS portfolio assuming Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac remain solvent, we are exposed to credit risk in our private-label MBS portfolio. With respect to our private-label MBS, credit support contained in these MBS deal structures provides a level of protection from losses, as do the discounted purchase prices in the event of the return of less than 100% of par. We also evaluate the impact of credit risk on our investments through a comprehensive investment review and selection process, which is predominantly focused on quantifying and pricing credit risk. We review our private-label MBS based on quantitative and qualitative analysis of the risk-adjusted returns on such investments. Through modeling and scenario analysis, we seek to evaluate each investment's credit risk. Credit risk is also monitored through our ongoing asset surveillance. Despite these measures to manage credit risk, unanticipated credit losses could nevertheless occur, which could adversely impact our operating results.

Our private-label MBS are generally purchased at a discount. We estimate the future expected cash flows based on our observation of current information and events and applying a number of assumptions related to prepayment rates, interest rates, default rates, and the timing and amount of credit losses on each security. These assumptions are difficult to predict as they are subject to uncertainties and contingencies related to future events that may impact our estimates and interest income.

The following table represents certain statistics of our private-label MBS portfolio as of and for the three months ended June 30, 2015:

	Total Private-Label Se	curities
Yield (% of amortized cost)	9.4	%
Average cost (% of face value)	54.9	%
Weighted-average coupon	3.0	%
Delinquencies greater than 60 plus days	12.4	%
Credit enhancement	0.1	%
Severity (three months average)	33.0	%
Constant prepayment rate (three months average)	12.3	%

Key credit and prepayment measures in our private-label MBS portfolio reflected improvement during the three months ended June 30, 2015 as compared to the prior quarter. Total 60-day plus delinquencies in our private-label MBS portfolio decreased to 12.4% at June 30, 2015 from 13.9% at March 31, 2015 and trailing three month average loss severities on liquidated loans decreased to 33.0% at June 30, 2015 from 42.3% at March 31, 2015. We will continue to monitor the performance of each security in our portfolio and assess the impact on the overall performance of the portfolio.

The table that follows shows the expected change in fair value for our current private-label MBS under several hypothetical credit loss scenarios. Our private-label MBS are classified as Level 3 assets of the fair value hierarchy as they are valued using present value techniques based on estimated cash flows of the security taking into consideration various assumptions derived by management and used by other market participants. These assumptions include, among others, interest rates, prepayment rates, discount rates, credit default rates, loss severity rates, and the timing of cash flows and credit losses. Credit default and loss severity rates can significantly affect the prices of private-label MBS. While it is impossible to project the exact amount of changes in value, the table below illustrates the impact a 10% increase and a 10% decrease in the credit default and loss severity rates from those used as our valuation assumptions would have on the value of our total assets and our book value per share as of June 30, 2015. The changes in rates are assumed to occur instantaneously. The table below is based on a change in either the credit default rates or loss severity rates in isolation. However, a change in one valuation assumption may be accompanied by a directionally opposite change in another valuation assumption. Actual changes in market conditions are likely to be different from these assumptions (dollars in thousands, except per share amounts).

June 30, 2015

	Value	Value with 10% Increase in Default Rate	Percent Change	Value with 10% Decrease in Default Rate		Value with 10% Increase in Loss Severity Rate	Percent Change	Value with 10% Decrease in Loss Severity Rate	Percent Change
Assets									
MBS, private-label	\$152,162	\$150,187	(1.30)%	\$154,187	1.33%	\$149,684	(1.63)%	\$154,642	1.63%
MBS, agency	4,154,387	4,154,387	_	4,154,387	_	4,154,387	_	4,154,387	_
Other	388,121	388,121		388,121	_	388,121	_	388,121	
<b>Total assets</b>	\$4,694,670	\$4,692,695	(0.04)%	\$4,696,695	0.04%	\$4,692,192	(0.05)%	\$4,697,150	0.05%
Liabilities	\$4,149,282	\$4,149,282		\$4,149,282		\$4,149,282		\$4,149,282	
Equity	545,388	543,413	(0.36)%	547,413	0.37%	542,910	(0.45)%	547,868	0.45%
Total									
liabilities	\$4,694,670	\$4,692,695	(0.04)%	\$4,696,695	0.04%	\$4,692,192	(0.05)%	\$4,697,150	0.05%
and equity									
Book value	¢22.71	¢22.62	(0.26)0/	¢22.00	0.27.0/	¢22.60	(0.45)0/	¢22.92	0.4507
per share	\$23.71	\$23.62	(0.36)%	\$23.80	0.37%	\$23.60	(0.45)%	\$23.82	0.45%

## **Interest Rate Risk**

We are also subject to interest rate risk in our MBS portfolio. Some of our MBS positions are financed with repurchase agreements, which are interest rate sensitive financial instruments. We are exposed to interest rate risk that fluctuates based on changes in the level or volatility of interest rates and mortgage prepayments and in the shape and slope of the yield curve. We attempt to hedge a portion of our exposure to interest rate fluctuations primarily through the use of Eurodollar futures, U.S. Treasury note futures, and swap futures with the counterparties to these derivative agreements consisting of various exchanges. We assess and monitor the counterparties' non-performance risk and credit risk on a regular basis.

Our primary risk is related to changes in both short- and long-term interest rates, which affect us in several ways. As interest rates increase, the market value of the MBS may be expected to decline, prepayment rates may be expected to go down, and duration may be expected to extend. An increase in interest rates is beneficial to the market value of our derivative instruments. For example, for interest rate swap futures, the cash flows from receiving the floating rate portion increase and the fixed-rate paid remains the same under this scenario. If interest rates decline, the reverse is true for MBS, paying fixed and receiving floating interest rate swaps, interest rate caps, and Eurodollar, interest rate swap futures and U.S. Treasury note futures.

The table that follows shows the expected change in fair value for our current MBS and derivatives related to our principal investing activities under several hypothetical interest-rate scenarios. Interest rates are defined by the U.S. Treasury yield curve. The changes in rates are assumed to occur instantaneously. It is further assumed that the changes in rates occur uniformly across the yield curve and that the level of LIBOR changes by the same amount as the yield curve. Actual changes in market conditions are likely to be different from these assumptions.

Changes in fair value are measured as percentage changes from their respective fair values presented in the column labeled "Value." Management's estimate of change in value for MBS is based on the same assumptions it uses to manage the impact of interest rates on the portfolio. Actual results could differ significantly from these estimates. For MBS, the estimated change in value of the MBS reflects an effective duration of 5.62 in a rising interest rate environment and 3.86 in a declining interest rate environment.

The effective durations are based on observed market value changes, as well as management's own estimate of the effect of interest rate changes on the fair value of the investments including assumptions regarding prepayments based, in part, on age of and interest rate on the mortgages underlying the MBS, prior exposure to refinancing opportunities, and an overall analysis of historical prepayment patterns under a variety of past interest rate conditions (dollars in thousands, except per share amounts).

	June 30, 20	15				
	Value	Value with 100 Basis Point Increase in Interest Rates	Percent Change	Value with 100 Basis Point Decrease in Interest Rates	Percent Change	
Assets						
MBS	\$4,306,549	\$ 4,064,576	(5.62)%	\$ 4,472,702	3.86	%
Derivative asset	2,144	24,367	1,036.52%	(16,699 )	(878.87	)%
Other	385,977	385,977		385,977	_	
Total assets	\$4,694,670	\$ 4,474,920	(4.68)%	\$ 4,841,980	3.14	%
Liabilities						
Repurchase agreements	\$3,631,772	\$ 3,631,772	_	\$ 3,631,772	_	
Derivative liability	144,936	(21,728	) (114.99 )%	319,485	120.43	%
Other	372,574	372,574	_	372,574		
Total liabilities	4,149,282	3,982,618	(4.02)%	4,323,831	4.21	%
Equity	545,388	492,302	(9.73)%	518,149	(4.99	)%
<b>Total liabilities and equity</b>	\$4,694,670	\$ 4,474,920	(4.68)%	\$ 4,841,980	3.14	%
Book value per share	\$23.71	\$ 21.40	(9.73)%	\$ 22.52	(4.99	)%

#### **Inflation Risk**

Virtually all of our assets and liabilities are interest rate sensitive in nature. As a result, interest rates and other factors influence our performance far more than inflation. Changes in interest rates do not necessarily correlate with inflation rates or changes in inflation rates. Our financial statements are prepared in accordance with GAAP and our distributions are determined by our Board of Directors in its sole discretion pursuant to our variable dividend policy; in each case, our activities and balance sheet are measured with reference to fair value without considering inflation.

### **Cautionary Statement About Forward-Looking Statements**

When used in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, in future filings with the SEC or in press releases or other written or oral communications, statements which are not historical in nature, including those containing words such as "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimate," "plan," "continue," "intend," "should," "may" or similar expressions, are intende identify "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), and Section 21E of the Exchange Act and, as such, may involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and assumptions. The forward-looking statements we make in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q include, but are not limited to, statements about the following:

the availability and terms of, and our ability to deploy, capital and our ability to grow our business through a strategy focused on acquiring primarily residential mortgage-backed securities (MBS) that are either issued by U.S. government agencies or guaranteed as to principal and interest by U.S. government agencies or U.S. government sponsored agencies (agency-backed MBS), and MBS issued by private organizations (private-label MBS);

our ability to forecast our tax attributes, which are based upon various facts and assumptions, and our ability to protect and use our net operating losses (NOLs), and net capital losses (NCLs), to offset future taxable income, including whether our shareholder rights plan (Rights Plan) will be effective in preventing an ownership change that would significantly limit our ability to utilize such losses;

our business, acquisition, leverage, asset allocation, operational, investment, hedging and financing strategies and the success of these strategies;

the effect of changes in prepayment rates, interest rates and default rates on our portfolio;

the effect of governmental regulation and actions;

our ability to quantify and manage risk;
our ability to realize any reflation of our assets;
our liquidity;
our asset valuation policies;
our decisions with respect to, and ability to make, future dividends;
investing in assets other than MBS or pursuing business activities other than investing in MBS;
our ability to maintain our exclusion from the definition of "investment company" under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act); and
the effect of general economic conditions on our business.
Forward-looking statements are based on our beliefs, assumptions and expectations of our future performance, taking into account information currently in our possession. These beliefs, assumptions and expectations may change as a result of many possible events or factors, not all of which are known to us or are within our control. If a change occurs, the performance of our portfolio and our business, financial condition, liquidity and results of operations may vary materially from those expressed, anticipated or contemplated in our forward-looking statements. You should carefully consider these risks, along with the following factors that could cause actual results to vary from our forward-looking statements, before making an investment in our securities:

the overall environment for interest rates, changes in interest rates, interest rate spreads, the yield curve and prepayment rates, including the timing of increases in the Federal Funds rate by the Federal Reserve;

eurrent conditions and further adverse developments in the residential mortgage market and the overall economy;

potential risk attributable to our mortgage-related portfolios, including changes in fair value;

our use of leverage and our dependence on repurchase agreements and other short-term borrowings to finance our mortgage-related holdings;

the availability of certain short-term liquidity sources;

competition for investment opportunities, including competition from the U.S. Department of Treasury (U.S. Treasury) and the U.S. Federal Reserve, for investments in agency-backed MBS, as well as the timing of the termination by the U.S. Federal Reserve of its purchases of agency-backed MBS;

the federal conservatorship of the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) and related efforts, along with any changes in laws and regulations affecting the relationship between Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and the federal government;

mortgage loan prepayment activity, modification programs and future legislative action;

changes in, and success of, our acquisition, hedging and leverage strategies, changes in our asset allocation and changes in our operational policies, all of which may be changed by us without shareholder approval;

failure of sovereign or municipal entities to meet their debt obligations or a downgrade in the credit rating of such debt obligations;

fluctuations of the value of our hedge instruments;

fluctuating quarterly operating results;

changes in laws and regulations and industry practices that may adversely affect our business;

volatility of the securities markets and activity in the secondary securities markets in the United States and elsewhere;

our ability to successfully expand our business into areas other than investing in MBS; and

the other important factors identified in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 under the caption "Item 1A — Risk Factors".

These and other risks, uncertainties and factors, including those described elsewhere in this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, could cause our actual results to differ materially from those projected in any forward-looking statements we make. All forward-looking statements speak only as of the date on which they are made. New risks and uncertainties arise over time and it is not possible to predict those events or how they may affect us. Except as required by law, we are not obligated to, and do not intend to, update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

#### **Item 4. Controls and Procedures**

### Conclusion Regarding the Effectiveness of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

As of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, our management, with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer, J. Rock Tonkel, Jr., and our Chief Financial Officer, Richard E. Konzmann, carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined under Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act")) pursuant to Rule 13a-15(b) of the Exchange Act. Based upon that evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures are effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed by us in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding disclosure.

## **Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the quarter ended June 30, 2015 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

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#### **Item 1. Legal Proceedings**

**Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities** 

We are from time to time involved in civil lawsuits, legal proceedings and arbitration matters relating to our business that we consider to be in the ordinary course. There can be no assurance that these matters individually or in aggregate will not have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations in a future period. We are also subject to the risk of litigation, including litigation that may be without merit. As we intend to actively defend such litigation, significant legal expenses could be incurred. An adverse resolution of any future litigation against us could materially affect our financial condition, results of operations and liquidity. Furthermore, we operate in highly-regulated markets that currently are under intense regulatory scrutiny, and we have received, and we expect in the future that we may receive, inquiries and requests for documents and information from various federal, state and foreign regulators. In addition, one or more of our subsidiaries have received requests to repurchase loans from various parties in connection with the former securitization business conducted by a subsidiary. We believe that the continued scrutiny of MBS, structured financed and derivative market participants increases the risk of additional inquiries and requests from regulatory or enforcement agencies and other parties. We cannot provide any assurance that these inquiries and requests will not result in further investigation of or the initiation of a proceeding against us or that, if any such investigation or proceeding were to arise, it would not materially adversely affect our Company.

Item 1A. Risk Factors
None.
Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds
Purchases of Equity Securities by the Issuer
None.

None.	
Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures	
Not applicable.	
Item 5. Other Information	
None.	
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# Item 6. Exhibits

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- \* Filed herewith.
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Ended June 30, 2015 and 2014.

Submitted electronically herewith. Attached as Exhibit 101 are the following materials from the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2015, formatted in XBRL (eXtensible Business Reporting Language): (i) Consolidated Balance Sheets at June 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014; (ii) Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the Three and Six Months Ended June 30, 2015 and 2014; (iii) Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity for the Six Months Ended June 30, 2015 and the Year Ended December 31, 2014; and (iv) Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the Six Months

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# **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

### ARLINGTON ASSET INVESTMENT CORP.

By:/s/ RICHARD E. KONZMANN
Richard E. Konzmann
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer
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