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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO

**SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**For The Quarterly Period
Ended September 30, 2004**

**Commission File Number:
0-22832**

ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Maryland
*(State or Jurisdiction of
Incorporation or Organization)*

52-1081052
*(IRS Employer
Identification No.)*

1919 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.

Washington, DC 20006
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (202) 331-1112

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 periods as the Registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.
YES NO

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act) YES NO

On November 4, 2004, there were 132,943,090 shares outstanding of the Registrant's common stock, \$0.0001 par value.

ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION

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PART I: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

(in thousands, except share and per share amounts)	September 30, 2004	December 31, 2003
	(unaudited)	
ASSETS		
Portfolio at value:		
Private finance		
Companies more than 25% owned (cost: 2004-\$1,220,921; 2003-\$755,024)	\$ 1,159,078	\$ 900,317
Companies 5% to 25% owned (cost: 2004-\$189,940; 2003-\$195,600)	179,736	218,305
Companies less than 5% owned (cost: 2004-\$762,454; 2003-\$955,507)	692,171	784,050
Total private finance (cost: 2004-\$2,173,315; 2003-\$1,906,131)	2,030,985	1,902,672
Commercial real estate finance (cost: 2004-\$947,393; 2003-\$694,929)	949,024	681,927
Total portfolio at value (cost: 2004-\$3,120,708; 2003-\$2,601,060)	2,980,009	2,584,599
Deposits of proceeds from sales of borrowed Treasury securities	270,662	98,527
Accrued interest and dividends receivable	73,551	53,079
Other assets	67,567	69,498
Cash and cash equivalents	46,707	214,167
Total assets	\$ 3,438,496	\$ 3,019,870
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY		
Liabilities:		
Notes payable and debentures (maturing within one year of: September 30, 2004-\$146,000; December 31, 2003-\$221,000)	\$ 840,478	\$ 954,200
Revolving line of credit	327,250	
Obligations to replenish borrowed Treasury securities	270,662	98,525
Accounts payable and other liabilities	64,366	46,568
Total liabilities	1,502,756	1,099,293
Commitments and contingencies		
Preferred stock		6,000
Shareholders' equity:		
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value, 200,000,000 shares authorized; 129,898,090 and 128,117,985 shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively	13	13
Additional paid-in capital	2,022,979	1,985,652
Common stock held in deferred compensation trust	(9,969)	
Notes receivable from sale of common stock	(5,592)	(18,632)

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Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on portfolio	(159,439)	(39,055)
Undistributed (distributions in excess of) earnings	87,748	(13,401)
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Total shareholders' equity	1,935,740	1,914,577
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Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$3,438,496	\$3,019,870
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Net asset value per common share	\$ 14.90	\$ 14.94
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2004	2003	2004	2003
(in thousands, except per share amounts)				
	(unaudited)		(unaudited)	
Interest and Related Portfolio Income:				
Interest and dividends				
Companies more than 25% owned	\$ 27,242	\$ 14,533	\$ 59,112	\$ 42,464
Companies 5% to 25% owned	7,582	6,313	19,827	19,286
Companies less than 5% owned	51,004	58,049	154,601	149,803
Total interest and dividends	85,828	78,895	233,540	211,553
Loan prepayment premiums				
Companies more than 25% owned		33		141
Companies 5% to 25% owned	53	60	765	685
Companies less than 5% owned	140	2,430	3,445	4,455
Total loan prepayment premiums	193	2,523	4,210	5,281
Fees and other income				
Companies more than 25% owned	7,611	4,382	20,406	14,395
Companies 5% to 25% owned	934	229	1,404	459
Companies less than 5% owned	2,297	2,841	6,568	7,526
Total fees and other income	10,842	7,452	28,378	22,380
Total interest and related portfolio income	96,863	88,870	266,128	239,214
Expenses:				
Interest	20,253	20,334	57,349	57,614
Employee	10,817	9,480	28,710	26,859
Individual performance award	3,079		9,461	
Administrative	10,169	5,897	25,072	15,395
Total operating expenses	44,318	35,711	120,592	99,868
Net investment income before income taxes	52,545	53,159	145,536	139,346
Income tax benefit	(200)	(449)	(744)	(1,530)
Net investment income	52,745	53,608	146,280	140,876
Net Realized and Unrealized Gains (Losses):				
Net realized gains (losses)				
Companies more than 25% owned	(12,483)	(114)	139,016	1,200
Companies 5% to 25% owned	13,269	(5,895)	48,965	10,793
Companies less than 5% owned	514	(429)	(12,228)	38,448
Total net realized gains (losses)	1,300	(6,438)	175,753	50,441
	31,954	(13,426)	(120,384)	(77,760)

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Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation				
Total net gains (losses)	33,254	(19,864)	55,369	(27,319)
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 85,999	\$ 33,744	\$ 201,649	\$ 113,557
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.67	\$ 0.28	\$ 1.57	\$ 0.99
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.66	\$ 0.28	\$ 1.53	\$ 0.98
Weighted average common shares outstanding basic	129,304	118,855	128,812	113,985
Weighted average common shares outstanding diluted	131,192	120,906	131,487	115,228

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ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
(in thousands, except per share amounts)	2004	2003
	(unaudited)	
Operations:		
Net investment income	\$ 146,280	\$ 140,876
Net realized gains	175,753	50,441
Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation	(120,384)	(77,760)
	201,649	113,557
Shareholder distributions:		
Common stock dividends	(220,832)	(196,159)
Preferred stock dividends	(52)	(155)
	(220,884)	(196,314)
Capital share transactions:		
Sale of common stock		298,249
Issuance of common stock for portfolio investments	3,227	
Issuance of common stock upon the exercise of stock options	29,673	3,674
Issuance of common stock in lieu of cash distributions	4,399	4,959
Net decrease in notes receivable from sale of common stock	13,040	5,202
Purchase of common stock held in deferred compensation trust	(10,152)	
Distribution of common stock held in deferred compensation trust	183	
Other	28	189
	40,398	312,273
Net increase in net assets resulting from capital share transactions	40,398	312,273
Total increase in net assets	21,163	229,516
Net assets at beginning of period	1,914,577	1,546,071
	1,935,740	1,775,587
Net assets at end of period	\$ 1,935,740	\$ 1,775,587
Net asset value per common share	\$ 14.90	\$ 14.46
Common shares outstanding at end of period	129,898	122,766

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2004	2003
	(unaudited)	
(in thousands)		
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 201,649	\$ 113,557
Adjustments		
Portfolio investments	(1,056,213)	(664,814)
Principal collections related to investment repayments or sales	542,513	501,528
Change in accrued or reinvested interest and dividends	(31,652)	(39,983)
Amortization of discounts and fees	(5,929)	(10,067)
Changes in other assets and liabilities	17,572	4,650
Depreciation and amortization	1,266	1,233
Notes and other securities received as consideration from sale of investments, net of principal repayments	(44,515)	(3,876)
Realized losses	65,828	14,228
Net change in unrealized (appreciation) or depreciation	120,384	77,760
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(189,097)	(5,784)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Sale of common stock		298,249
Sale of common stock upon the exercise of stock options	29,673	3,674
Collections of notes receivable from sale of common stock	13,040	5,202
Borrowings under notes payable and debentures	15,212	300,000
Repayments on notes payable and debentures	(129,000)	(140,000)
Net borrowings under (repayments on) revolving line of credit	327,250	(204,250)
Redemption of preferred stock	(7,000)	
Purchase of common stock held in deferred compensation trust	(10,152)	
Other financing activities	(901)	(4,669)
Common stock dividends and distributions paid	(216,433)	(194,382)
Preferred stock dividends paid	(52)	(155)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	21,637	63,669
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(167,460)	57,885
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	214,167	11,186
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 46,707	\$ 69,071

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INVESTMENTS

Private Finance Portfolio Company (in thousands, except number of shares)	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	September 30, 2004	
		Cost	(unaudited) Value
Companies More Than 25% Owned			
ACE Products, Inc. (Industrial Products)	Loan (20.5%, Due 7/09) Common Stock (5,000 shares)	\$ 17,164	\$ 50
Acme Paging, L.P. ⁽⁴⁾ (Telecommunications)	Loan (6.8%, Due 12/07 1/08) Equity Interests Common Stock (4,656 shares)	4,631 13,274 27	2,398 1,742
Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. (Business Services)	Loan (12.0%, Due 9/09) Debt Securities (18.5%, Due 12/09) Common Stock (18,957,011 shares)	59,714 124,386 73,472	59,714 124,386 73,472
Alaris Consulting, LLC (Business Services)	Loan (16.5%, Due 12/05 12/07) Equity Interests Guaranty (\$1,100)	22,990 5,165	4,812
American Healthcare Services, Inc. (Healthcare Services)	Loan (0.2%, Due 12/04 12/05) Debt Securities (29.3%, Due 5/06) Common Stock (7,956,704 shares) Guaranty (\$824)	17,676 17,311 1,000	4,663
Avborne, Inc. ⁽⁶⁾ (Business Services)	Loan (25.0%, Due 8/07) Preferred Stock (12,500 shares) Common Stock (27,500 shares) Standby Letter of Credit (\$6,978)	1,269 14,138	1,269 4,212
Avborne Heavy Maintenance, Inc. ⁽⁶⁾ (Business Services)	Preferred Stock (1,568 shares) Common Stock (2,750 shares)		
Business Loan Express, LLC (Financial Services)	Debt Securities (25.0%, Due 12/08) Class A Equity Interests Class B Equity Interests Class C Equity Interests Guaranty (\$101,585 See Note 3) Standby Letters of Credit (\$35,550 See Note 3)	43,426 52,278 66,161 109,340	43,426 52,278 104,676 151,704
Callidus Capital Corporation (Financial Services)	Loan (12.0%, Due 12/06) Debt Securities (18.0%, Due 10/08) Common Stock (10 shares)	1,335 3,877 1,871	1,335 3,877 1,871
Chickasaw Sales & Marketing, Inc. (Consumer Services)	Preferred Stock (1,000,000 shares) Common Stock (37,000 shares)	1,000 2,812	

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- (6) During the third quarter of 2004, Avborne, Inc. transferred certain equity securities in Avborne Heavy Maintenance, Inc. to its lenders in exchange for a reduction in contractual interest on the Company's loan to Avborne, Inc. Avborne, Inc. and Avborne Heavy Maintenance, Inc. remain affiliated companies.

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		September 30, 2004	
Private Finance Portfolio Company (in thousands, except number of shares)	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	(unaudited)	
		Cost	Value
Fairchild Industrial Products Company (Industrial Products)	Loan (8.5%, Due 7/09)	\$ 7,409	\$ 7,409
	Debt Securities (12.0%, Due 7/09)	3,938	3,938
	Common Stock (1,000 shares)	2,841	72
Financial Pacific Company (Financial Services)	Loan (17.4%, Due 2/12 8/12)	68,124	68,124
	Preferred Stock (9,950 shares)	9,950	9,950
	Common Stock (14,735 shares)	14,780	14,780
ForeSite Towers, LLC (Tower Leasing)	Equity Interests	18,640	21,393
GAC Investments, Inc. (Broadcasting & Cable)	Loan (10.0%, Due 9/10)	11,000	7,527
	Common Stock (99 shares)	43,350	
	Guaranty (\$800)		
	Standby Letter of Credit (\$200)		
Global Communications, LLC (Business Services)	Loan (17.0%, Due 12/03)	2,755	2,755
	Debt Securities (12.9%, Due 9/02 9/05)	18,042	18,042
	Preferred Equity Interest	14,067	19,433
	Options	1,639	2,242
Gordian Group, Inc. (Business Services)	Loan (15.0%, Due 6/07 3/09)	11,120	11,120
	Common Stock (1,000 shares)	3,742	2,960
HealthASPex, Inc. (Business Services)	Preferred Stock (1,000,000 shares)	700	700
	Preferred Stock (1,451,380 shares)	4,900	1,752
	Common Stock (1,451,380 shares)	4	
HMT, Inc. (Energy Services)	Debt Securities (13.3%, Due 12/08)	9,280	9,280
	Preferred Stock (554,052 shares)	2,488	2,488
	Common Stock (300,000 shares)	3,000	4,625
	Warrants	1,155	1,781
Housecall Medical Resources, Inc. (Healthcare Services)	Loan (16.7%, Due 11/07 11/09)	15,516	15,516
	Common Stock (864,000 shares)	86	36,652
Impact Innovations Group, LLC (Business Services)	Equity Interests in Affiliate (See Note 3)		772
Jakel, Inc. (Industrial Products)	Loan (15.5%, Due 3/08)	3,873	3,873
	Debt Securities (15.5%, Due 3/08)	8,245	8,245
	Preferred Stock (6,460 shares)	6,460	2,871
	Common Stock (158,061 shares)	9,347	
	Standby Letter of Credit (\$1,222)		
Legacy Partners Group, LLC (Financial Services)	Loan (14.0%, Due 5/09)	4,034	4,034
	Debt Securities (18.0%, Due 5/09)	2,832	2,832
	Equity Interests	2,286	2,286

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Private Finance Portfolio Company (in thousands, except number of shares)	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	(unaudited)	
		Cost	Value
Litterer Beteiligungs-GmbH ⁽⁴⁾ (Business Services)	Debt Securities (8.0%, Due 3/07) Equity Interest	\$ 1,452 1,159	\$ 1,452 245
Mercury Air Centers, Inc. (Business Services)	Loan (13.8%, Due 4/09) Common Stock (50,000 shares) Standby Letters of Credit (\$1,322)	53,508 30,416	53,508 30,416
MVL Group, Inc. (Business Services)	Loan (12.2%, Due 10/07 7/09) Debt Securities (14.4%, Due 7/09) Common Stock (648,661 shares)	16,591 17,395 643	16,591 17,395 6,100
Pennsylvania Avenue Investors, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Equity Interests	264	264
Powell Plant Farms, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Loan (15.0%, Due 1/05) Debt Securities (20.0%, Due 6/03) Preferred Stock (1,483 shares) Warrants	23,142 19,224	23,142 10,725
Redox Brands, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Loan (19.0%, Due 12/07) Debt Securities (16.0%, Due 3/08) Preferred Stock (2,726,444 shares) Warrants Guaranty (\$125)	3,274 10,562 7,903 584	3,274 10,562 12,021 511
Staffing Partners Holding Company, Inc. (Business Services)	Debt Securities (15.0%, Due 10/05) Preferred Stock (439,600 shares) Common Stock (69,773 shares) Warrants	6,084 4,968 50 10	6,084 2,863
Startec Global Communications Corporation (Telecommunications)	Loan (10.0%, Due 5/07 5/09) Common Stock (19,180,000 shares)	16,522 37,255	16,522 11,548
STS Operating, Inc. (Industrial Products)	Preferred Stock (5,769,424 shares) Common Stock (3,000,000 shares) Options	6,818 3,177	6,818 5,700
Total companies more than 25% owned		\$ 1,220,921	\$ 1,159,078
Companies 5% to 25% Owned			
Air Evac Lifeteam (Healthcare)	Debt Securities (12.4%, Due 7/10) Equity Interests	\$ 39,062 3,000	\$ 39,062 3,000
Aspen Pet Products, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Loans (19.0%, Due 6/08) Preferred Stock (2,655 shares) Common Stock (1,400 shares) Warrants	18,499 2,154 140	18,499 1,249

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Becker Underwood, Inc. (Industrial Products)	Loan (14.5%, Due 8/12) Common Stock (4,364 shares)	22,886 5,000	22,886 5,000
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		Cost	Value
Border Foods, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Loan (13.0%, Due 12/10)	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000
	Debt Securities (13.0%, Due 12/10)	9,495	9,495
	Preferred Stock (50,919 shares)	2,000	2,000
	Common Stock (1,810 shares)	45	
	Warrants	665	
The Debt Exchange Inc. (Business Services)	Preferred Stock (921,875 shares)	1,250	1,332
EDM Consulting, LLC (Business Services)	Debt Securities (8.0%, Due 1/05)	1,800	210
	Equity Interests	250	
GFC Holdings, LLC (Business Services)	Warrants	800	1,075
Liberty-Pittsburgh Systems, Inc. (Business Services)	Debt Securities (17.0%, Due 4/06)	3,972	1,419
	Common Stock (123,929 shares)	142	
MasterPlan, Inc. (Business Services)	Loan (12.0%, Due on demand)	959	1,204
	Common Stock (1,350 shares)	42	1,000
MedBridge Healthcare, LLC (Healthcare)	Loan (4.0%, Due 8/09 8/14)	9,311	9,311
	Convertible Debenture (2.0%, Due 8/09)	2,737	2,250
MortgageRamp, Inc. (Business Services)	Common Stock (772,000 shares)	3,860	1,320
Nexcel Synthetics, LLC (Consumer Products)	Loan (14.5%, Due 6/09)	10,118	10,118
	Equity Interests	1,690	827
Packaging Advantage Corporation (Business Services)	Debt Securities (18.5%, Due 4/08)	14,731	14,731
	Common Stock (232,168 shares)	2,386	1,160
	Warrants	963	468
Pres Air Trol LLC (Industrial Products)	Debt Securities (12.0%, Due 4/10)	6,220	6,220
	Equity Interests	1,323	1,323
Progressive International Corporation (Consumer Products)	Loan (16.0%, Due 12/09)	7,182	7,182
	Preferred Stock (500 shares)	500	729
	Common Stock (197 shares)	13	
	Warrants		
Total Foam, Inc. (Industrial Products)	Debt Securities (12.0%, Due 6/96 1/99)	139	70
	Common Stock (164 shares)	10	
Universal Environmental Services, LLC (Business Services)	Loan (13.5%, Due 2/09)	12,096	12,096
	Equity Interests	1,500	1,500

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Total companies 5% to 25% owned		\$ 189,940	\$ 179,736
Companies Less Than 5% Owned			
Alderwoods Group, Inc. ⁽³⁾ (Consumer Services)	Common Stock (357,568 shares)	\$ 5,006	\$ 3,515

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		Cost	Value
American Barbecue & Grill, Inc. (Retail)	Warrants	\$ 125	\$
Anthony, Inc. (Industrial Products)	Loan (12.1%, Due 9/11 9/12)	14,428	14,428
Apogen Technologies, Inc. (Business Services)	Debt Securities (13.0%, Due 1/10)	4,981	4,981
	Preferred Stock (270,008 shares)	2,700	2,700
	Common Stock (1,256,452 shares)	50	1,896
	Warrants		4
Aviation Technologies, Inc. (Industrial Products)	Loan (17.0%, Due 5/11)	20,837	20,837
Benchmark Medical, Inc. (Healthcare Services)	Debt Securities (14.0%, Due 12/08)	13,618	13,618
	Warrants	18	18
Camden Partners Strategic Fund II, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Limited Partnership Interest	2,463	2,985
Catterton Partners V, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Limited Partnership Interest	873	721
CBS Personnel Holdings, Inc. (Business Services)	Loan (15.5%, Due 12/09)	19,900	19,900
Colibri Holding Corporation (Consumer Products)	Debt Securities (12.5%, Due 9/08)	3,508	3,508
	Preferred Stock (459 shares)	523	736
	Common Stock (3,362 shares)	1,250	609
	Warrants	290	141
Community Education Centers, Inc. (Education Services)	Loan (15.0%, Due 12/10)	22,972	22,972
Component Hardware Group, Inc. (Industrial Products)	Preferred Stock (18,000 shares)	2,553	2,553
	Common Stock (2,000 shares)	200	600
Cooper Natural Resources, Inc. (Industrial Products)	Debt Securities (15.0%, Due 7/04)	1,500	1,500
	Preferred Stock (6,316 shares)	1,427	
	Warrants	832	
Coverall North America, Inc. (Business Services)	Loan (20.0%, Due 7/08)	15,918	17,159
	Debt Securities (20.0%, Due 7/08)	8,229	8,871
CTT Holdings (Consumer Products)	Loan (0%, Due 3/10)	1,125	1,125

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DCS Business Services, Inc. (Business Services)	Debt (15.8%, Due 7/10) Preferred Stock (478,816 shares)	21,349 1,239	21,349 2,457
Drilltec Patents & Technologies Company, Inc. (Energy Services)	Loan (10.0%, Due 8/06) Debt Securities (14.5%, Due 8/06)	10,918 1,500	

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		September 30, 2004	
Private Finance Portfolio Company (in thousands, except number of shares)	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	(unaudited)	
		Cost	Value
eCentury Capital Partners, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Limited Partnership Interest	\$ 4,375	\$
Elexis Beta GmbH ⁽⁴⁾ (Industrial Products)	Options	426	50
E-Talk Corporation (Business Services)	Preferred Stock (133 shares) Common Stock (8,656 shares)	10,009	
Frozen Specialties, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Debt Securities (16.0%, Due 5/08) Warrants	10,535 435	10,535 435
Garden Ridge Corporation (Retail)	Debt Securities (12.9%, Due 12/05 12/07) Preferred Stock (1,130 shares) Common Stock (847,800 shares)	27,271 1,130 613	16,500
Geotrace Technologies, Inc. (Energy Services)	Debt Securities (12.0%, Due 6/09) Warrants	16,212 2,350	16,212 2,350
Ginsey Industries, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Loans (12.5%, Due 3/06) Convertible Debentures (12.5%, Due 3/06) Warrants	4,696 500	4,696 654 1,646
Grant Broadcasting Systems II (Broadcasting & Cable)	Warrants	87	2,400
Griffith Energy, Inc. (Energy Services)	Loan (16.3%, Due 3/11)	16,926	16,926
Grotech Partners, VI, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Limited Partnership Interest	4,330	2,693
Haven Eldercare of New England, LLC (Healthcare Services)	Loans (9.3%, Due 10/05)	46,666	46,666
HealthMarket, Inc. (Health Insurance)	Debt Securities (12.0%, Due 3/08) Warrants	10,189 439	10,189 500
The Hillman Companies, Inc. ⁽³⁾ (Consumer Products)	Loan (13.5%, Due 9/11)	42,556	42,556
Homax Holdings, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Debt (12.0%, Due 8/10) Warrants	10,079 927	10,079 1,159
Icon International, Inc. (Business Services)	Common Stock (25,707 shares)	76	

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Interline Brands, Inc. (Business Services)	Preferred Stock (199,313 shares)	1,849	2,987
	Common Stock (15,615 shares)	139	
	Warrants	1,181	
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International Fiber Corporation (Industrial Products)	Debt Securities (14.0%, Due 6/12)	20,898	20,898
	Preferred Stock (25,000 shares)	2,500	2,500
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		(unaudited)	
		Cost	Value
Love Funding Corporation (Financial Services)	Preferred Stock (26,000 shares)	\$ 359	\$ 442
MedAssets, Inc. (Business Services)	Preferred Stock (227,865 shares) Warrants	2,049 136	2,685 30
Mercury Air Group, Inc. ⁽³⁾ (Business Services)	Warrants	427	
Mid-Atlantic Venture Fund IV, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Limited Partnership Interest	5,850	2,710
Midview Associates, L.P. (Housing)	Warrants		
Mogas Energy, LLC (Energy Services)	Debt Securities (9.5%, Due 3/12 4/12) Warrants	16,153 1,774	16,153 2,300
Nobel Learning Communities, Inc. ⁽³⁾ (Education)	Preferred Stock (1,214,356 shares) Warrants	2,764 575	2,764
Norstan Apparel Shops, Inc. (Retail)	Debt Securities (17.8%, Due 12/07 9/08) Common Stock (29,663 shares) Warrants	12,960 4,750 655	6,298
Novak Biddle Venture Partners III, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Limited Partnership Interest	979	723
Oahu Waste Services, Inc. (Business Services)	Debt Securities (12.0%, Due 9/08) Stock Appreciation Rights	8,691 239	8,691 445
Onyx Television GmbH ⁽⁴⁾ (Broadcasting & Cable)	Preferred Units	201	
Opinion Research Corporation ⁽³⁾ (Business Services)	Loan (13.1%, Due 11/07 5/09) Warrants	21,449 996	21,449 340
Oriental Trading Company, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Common Stock (13,820 shares)	10	4,600
Polaris Pool Systems, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Debt Securities (12.0%, Due 9/07) Warrants	11,250 1,145	11,250 2,700
RadioVisa Corporation (Broadcasting & Cable)	Loan (15.5%, Due 12/08)	25,482	25,482

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Resun Leasing, Inc. (Business Services)	Loan (15.5%, Due 11/07)	30,000	30,000
S.B. Restaurant Company (Retail)	Debt Securities (15.0%, Due 11/08)	12,072	12,072
	Preferred Stock (54,125 shares)	135	135
	Warrants	619	619

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		Cost	Value
SBBUT, LLC (Consumer Products)	Equity Interests	\$ 85	\$ 85
Soff-Cut Holdings, Inc. (Industrial Products)	Preferred Stock (300 shares) Common Stock (2,000 shares)	300 200	
SPP Mezzanine Fund, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Limited Partnership Interest	1,127	956
SunStates Refrigerated Services, Inc. (Warehouse Facilities)	Loans (9.2%, Due 9/97 1/05) Debt Securities (10.0%, Due 1/03)	4,466 2,445	1,500
Sydran Food Services II, L.P. (Retail)	Debt Securities (25.0%, Due 12/08) Equity Interests Warrants	14,318 3,747 162	50
United Site Services, Inc. (Business Services)	Loan (16.0%, Due 12/10)	26,919	26,919
Universal Tax Systems, Inc. (Business Services)	Loan (14.5%, Due 7/11)	18,410	18,410
Update Venture Partners II, L.P. ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Limited Partnership Interest	3,375	3,376
U.S. Security Holdings, Inc. (Business Services)	Warrants	826	2,000
Venturehouse-Cibernet Investors, LLC (Business Services)	Equity Interest	34	34
Venturehouse Group, LLC ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Equity Interest	598	3
VICORP Restaurants, Inc. (Retail)	Warrants	33	25
Walker Investment Fund II, LLLP ⁽⁵⁾ (Private Equity Fund)	Limited Partnership Interest	1,330	357
Wear Me Apparel Corporation (Consumer Products)	Debt Securities (15.0%, Due 12/10) Warrants	48,729 1,219	48,729 2,300
Weston Solutions, Inc. (Business Services)	Loan (17.3%, Due 6/10)	7,319	7,319
Wilshire Restaurant Group, Inc.	Debt Securities (20.0%, Due 6/07)	18,566	17,468

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(Retail)	Warrants	735	
Wilton Industries, Inc. (Consumer Products)	Loan (19.3%, Due 6/08)	7,200	7,200

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Private Finance Portfolio Company (in thousands, except number of shares)	Investment ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	(unaudited)	
		Cost	Value
Woodstream Corporation (Consumer Products)	Loan (14.0%, Due 11/10)	\$ 255	\$ 255
	Debt Securities (14.0%, Due 11/10)	16,826	16,826
	Common Stock (180 shares)	1,800	2,450
	Warrants	587	800
Other companies	Other investments Guaranty (\$304)	1,397	1,407
Total companies less than 5% owned		\$ 762,454	\$ 692,171
Total private finance (119 portfolio companies)		\$2,173,315	\$2,030,985

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	Stated Interest	Face	September 30, 2004	
			(unaudited)	
			Cost	Value
Commercial Real Estate Finance				
(in thousands)				
Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities				
Mortgage Capital Funding, Series 1998-MC3	5.5%	\$ 53,100	\$ 35,390	\$ 28,721
Morgan Stanley Capital I, Series 1999-RM1	6.4%	28,168	9,865	9,878
COMM 1999-1	5.7%	56,477	28,009	26,588
Morgan Stanley Capital I, Series 1999-FNV1	6.1%	35,737	21,217	17,463
DLJ Commercial Mortgage Trust 1999-CG2	6.1%	43,131	13,966	14,141
Commercial Mortgage Acceptance Corp., Series 1999-C1	6.8%	18,643	4,900	7,081
LB Commercial Mortgage Trust, Series 1999-C2	6.7%	11,603	1,636	1,765
Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., Series 1999-2	6.5%	20,950	5,360	7,761
FUNB CMT, Series 1999-C4	6.5%	21,125	7,947	7,078
Heller Financial, HFCMC Series 2000 PH-1	6.6%	23,665	9,192	8,652
SBMS VII, Inc., Series 2000-NL1	7.2%	8,289	4,607	3,589
DLJ Commercial Mortgage Trust, Series 2000-CF1	7.0%	26,708	11,223	10,092
Deutsche Bank Alex. Brown, Series Comm 2000-C1	6.9%	14,987	3,949	2,837
LB-UBS Commercial Mortgage Trust, Series 2000-C4	6.9%	16,665	3,520	3,520
Credit Suisse First Boston Mortgage Securities Corp., Series 2001-CK1	5.9%	23,502	9,487	10,504
JP Morgan-CIBC-Deutsche 2001	5.8%	25,398	7,252	6,320
Lehman Brothers-UBS Warburg 2001-C2	6.4%	23,426	6,777	9,244
SBMS VII, Inc., Series 2001-C1	6.1%	19,612	3,459	1,991
GE Capital Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., Series 2001-2	6.1%	21,799	7,067	7,088
Credit Suisse First Boston Mortgage Securities Corp., Series 2001-CKN5	5.2%	22,292	6,898	6,970
JP Morgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., Series 2001-C1	5.6%	25,050	6,069	6,083
SBMS VII, Inc., Series 2001-C2	6.2%	23,217	7,118	7,186
FUNB CMT, Series 2002-C1	6.0%	21,987	9,059	8,569
GE Capital Commercial Mortgage Corp., Series 2002-1	6.2%	40,325	17,541	20,466
GMAC Commercial Mortgage Securities, Inc., Series 2002-C2	5.8%	27,926	10,968	11,635
GE Capital Commercial Mortgage Corp., Series 2002-3	5.1%	38,047	13,384	14,324
Morgan Stanley Dean Witter Capital I Trust 2002-IQ3	6.0%	15,919	3,770	4,021
LB-UBS Commercial Mortgage Trust 2003-C1	4.6%	37,896	12,406	12,869
GS Mortgage Securities Corporation II Series 2003-C1	4.7%	26,189	9,264	9,441
J.P. Morgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., Series 2003-ML1	4.9%	2,947	2,324	2,558
Credit Suisse First Boston Mortgage Securities Corp., Series 2003-CK2	4.9%	56,680	28,597	30,499
COMM 2003-LNB1	4.4%	24,324	5,757	5,808
Wachovia Bank Commercial Mortgage Trust, Series 2003-C5	4.3%	48,202	17,815	18,301
GE Commercial Mortgage Corporation, Series 2003-C1	5.1%	9,389	7,599	8,523
GMAC Commercial Mortgage Securities, Inc., Series 2003-C2	5.5%	56,441	25,413	27,793
GMAC Commercial Mortgage Securities, Inc., Series 2003-C3	5.3%	6,535	5,481	6,053
LB-UBS Commercial Mortgage Trust 2003-C8	5.4%	12,999	10,460	11,471
Wachovia Bank Commercial Mortgage Trust, Series 2003-C9	5.3%	46,793	22,736	23,863
COMM 2004-LNB2	5.0%	4,770	3,502	3,670
GE Commercial Mortgage Corporation, Series 2004-C1	5.0%	48,049	21,963	22,829
LB-UBS Commercial Mortgage Trust 2004-C1	4.9%	35,400	14,886	15,466
MezzCapp Commercial Mortgage Trust, Series 2004-C1	10.0%	1,990	819	819
Wachovia Bank Commercial Mortgage Trust, Series 2004-C10	5.0%	7,110	5,335	5,677

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COMM 2004-LNB3	5.3%	46,785	25,347	26,398
GE Commercial Mortgage Corporation, Series 2004-C2	5.3%	14,287	12,286	12,696
GMAC Commercial Mortgage Securities, Inc. Series 2004-C1	5.3%	40,671	25,533	26,005
GS Mortgage Securities Corporation II, Series 2004-C1	4.6%	39,613	24,482	24,909
J.P. Morgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., Series 2004-LN2	5.3%	46,630	22,039	22,163
LB-UBS Commercial Mortgage Trust 2004-C6	5.2%	6,597	5,234	5,257
Wachovia Bank Commercial Mortgage Trust, Series 2004-C14	5.3%	38,400	17,687	17,824
Total commercial mortgage-backed securities (50 issuances)		\$ 1,366,445	\$ 596,595	\$ 604,459

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	September 30, 2004	
	(unaudited)	
	Cost	Value
Commercial Real Estate Finance		
(in thousands, except number of loans)		
Collateralized Debt Obligations		
Crest 2001-1, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 22,253	\$ 22,253
Crest 2002-1, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾	24,410	24,410
Crest 2002-IG, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾	4,251	4,251
Crest Clarendon Street 2002-1, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾	981	981
Crest 2003-1, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾	93,201	93,201
Crest 2003-2, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾	26,998	26,998
TIAA Real Estate CDO 2003-1, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾	1,883	1,959
Crest Exeter Street Solar 2004-1, Ltd. ⁽⁴⁾	3,789	3,792
Total collateralized debt obligations (8 issuances)	\$ 177,766	\$ 177,845

	Interest Rate Ranges	Number of Loans		
Commercial Mortgage Loans				
	Up to 6.99%	14	\$ 27,512	\$ 25,995
	7.00% 8.99%	37	75,595	75,495
	9.00% 10.99%	7	26,900	26,539
	11.00% 12.99%	5	9,745	8,799
	13.00% 14.99%	2	4,149	2,585
	15.00% and above	1	3,750	3,750
Total commercial mortgage loans		66	\$ 147,651	\$ 143,163
Real Estate Owned			16,075	14,637
Equity Interests (Guarantees \$2,731)			9,306	8,920
Total commercial real estate finance			\$ 947,393	\$ 949,024
Total portfolio			\$ 3,120,708	\$ 2,980,009

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Information at and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, is unaudited)

Note 1. Organization

Allied Capital Corporation, a Maryland corporation, is a closed-end management investment company that has elected to be regulated as a business development company (BDC) under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (1940 Act). Allied Capital Corporation (ACC) has a subsidiary that has also elected to be regulated as a BDC, Allied Investment Corporation (Allied Investment), which is licensed under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 as a Small Business Investment Company (SBIC). In addition, ACC has a real estate investment trust subsidiary, Allied Capital REIT, Inc. (Allied REIT), and several subsidiaries which are single member limited liability companies established primarily to hold real estate properties. ACC also has a subsidiary, A.C. Corporation (AC Corp), that together with its subsidiaries provides diligence and structuring services on private finance and commercial real estate finance transactions, as well as structuring, transaction, management, and advisory services to the Company, its portfolio companies and other third parties.

Allied Capital Corporation and its subsidiaries, collectively, are referred to as the Company.

In accordance with specific rules prescribed for investment companies, subsidiaries hold investments on behalf of the Company or provide substantial services to the Company. Portfolio investments are held for purposes of deriving investment income and future capital gains. The Company consolidates the results of its subsidiaries for financial reporting purposes. The financial results of the Company's portfolio investments are not consolidated in the Company's financial statements.

The investment objective of the Company is to achieve current income and capital gains. In order to achieve this objective, the Company generally invests in companies in a variety of industries, non-investment grade commercial mortgage-backed securities (CMBS) and collateralized debt obligation bonds and preferred shares (CDOs).

Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of ACC and its subsidiaries. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2003 balances to conform with the 2004 financial statement presentation.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for interim financial information. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete consolidated financial statements. In the opinion of management, the unaudited consolidated financial results of the Company included herein contain all adjustments (consisting of only normal recurring accruals) necessary to present fairly the financial position of the Company as of September 30, 2004, the results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and changes in net assets and cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003. The results of operations for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, are not necessarily indicative of the operating results to be expected for the full year.

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

The private finance portfolio and the interest and related portfolio income and net realized gains (losses) on the private finance portfolio are presented in three categories: companies more than 25% owned, which represent portfolio companies where the Company directly or indirectly owns more than 25% of the outstanding voting securities of such portfolio company and, therefore, are deemed controlled by the Company under the 1940 Act; companies owned 5% to 25%, which represent portfolio companies where the Company directly or indirectly owns 5% to 25% of the outstanding voting securities of such portfolio company or where the Company holds one or more seats on the portfolio company's board of directors and, therefore, are deemed to be an affiliated person of the Company under the 1940 Act; and companies less than 5% owned which represent portfolio companies where the Company directly or indirectly owns less than 5% of the outstanding voting securities of such portfolio company and where the Company has no other affiliations with such portfolio company. The interest and related portfolio income and net realized gains (losses) from the commercial real estate finance portfolio and other sources are included in the companies less than 5% owned category on the consolidated statement of operations.

Valuation Of Portfolio Investments

The Company, as a BDC, invests in illiquid securities including debt and equity securities of companies, non-investment grade CMBS, and the bonds and preferred shares of CDOs. The Company's investments are generally subject to restrictions on resale and generally have no established trading market. The Company values substantially all of its investments at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors in accordance with the Company's valuation policy. The Company determines fair value to be the amount for which an investment could be exchanged in an orderly disposition over a reasonable period of time between willing parties other than in a forced or liquidation sale. The Company's valuation policy considers the fact that no ready market exists for substantially all of the securities in which it invests. The Company's valuation policy is intended to provide a consistent basis for determining the fair value of the portfolio. The Company will record unrealized depreciation on investments when it believes that an investment has become impaired, including where collection of a loan or realization of an equity security is doubtful, or when the enterprise value of the portfolio company does not currently support the cost of the Company's debt or equity investments. Enterprise value means the entire value of the company to a potential buyer, including the sum of the values of debt and equity securities used to capitalize the enterprise at a point in time. The Company will record unrealized appreciation if it believes that the underlying portfolio company has appreciated in value and, therefore, the Company's equity security has also appreciated in value. The value of investments in publicly traded securities is determined using quoted market prices discounted for restrictions on resale, if any.

Loans and Debt Securities

For loans and debt securities, fair value generally approximates cost unless the borrower's enterprise value, overall financial condition or other factors lead to a determination of fair value at a different amount.

When the Company receives nominal cost warrants or free equity securities (nominal cost equity), the Company allocates its cost basis in its investment between its debt securities and its nominal cost equity at the time of origination. At that time, the original issue discount basis of the

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

nominal cost equity is recorded by increasing the cost basis in the equity and decreasing the cost basis in the related debt securities.

Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis to the extent that such amounts are expected to be collected. For loans and debt securities with contractual payment-in-kind interest, which represents contractual interest accrued and added to the loan balance that generally becomes due at maturity, the Company will not accrue payment-in-kind interest if the portfolio company valuation indicates that the payment-in-kind interest is not collectible. Interest on loans and debt securities is not accrued if the Company has doubt about interest collection. Loans in workout status classified as Grade 4 or 5 assets under the Company's internal grading system do not accrue interest. In addition, interest may not accrue on loans or debt securities to portfolio companies that are more than 50% owned by the Company depending on such company's capital requirements. Loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount are capitalized and then amortized into interest income using the effective interest method. Upon the prepayment of a loan or debt security, any unamortized loan origination fees are recorded as interest income and any unamortized original issue discount or market discount is recorded as a realized gain. Prepayment premiums are recorded on loans and debt securities when received.

The weighted average yield on loans and debt securities is computed as the (a) annual stated interest rate plus the annual amortization of loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount on accruing loans and debt securities, divided by (b) total loans and debt securities at value. The weighted average yield is computed as of the balance sheet date.

Equity Securities

The Company's equity interests in portfolio companies for which there is no liquid public market are valued at fair value based on the enterprise value of the portfolio company, which is determined using various factors, including cash flow from operations of the portfolio company and other pertinent factors, such as recent offers to purchase a portfolio company, recent transactions involving the purchase or sale of the portfolio company's equity securities, or other liquidation events. The determined equity values are generally discounted to account for restrictions on resale and minority ownership positions.

The value of the Company's equity interests in public companies for which market quotations are readily available is based on the closing public market price on the balance sheet date. Securities that carry certain restrictions on sale are typically valued at a discount from the public market value of the security.

Dividend income is recorded on preferred equity securities on an accrual basis to the extent that such amounts are expected to be collected, and on common equity securities on the record date for private companies or on the ex-dividend date for publicly traded companies.

Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities (CMBS) and Collateralized Debt Obligations (CDO)

CMBS bonds and CDO bonds and preferred shares are carried at fair value, which is based on a discounted cash flow model that utilizes prepayment and loss assumptions based on historical experience and projected performance, economic factors, the characteristics of the underlying cash flow, and comparable yields for similar CMBS bonds and CDO bonds and preferred shares. The

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

Company recognizes unrealized appreciation or depreciation on its CMBS bonds and CDO bonds and preferred shares as comparable yields in the market change and/or based on changes in estimated cash flows resulting from changes in prepayment or loss assumptions in the underlying collateral pool.

The Company recognizes income from the amortization of original issue discount using the effective interest method, using the anticipated yield over the projected life of the investment. Yields are revised when there are changes in actual and estimated prepayment speeds or actual and estimated credit losses. Changes in estimated yield are recognized as an adjustment to the estimated yield over the remaining life of the CMBS bonds and CDO bonds and preferred shares from the date the estimated yield is changed.

Net Realized Gains or Losses and Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation or Depreciation

Realized gains or losses are measured by the difference between the net proceeds from the repayment or sale and the cost basis of the investment without regard to unrealized appreciation or depreciation previously recognized, and include investments charged off during the year, net of recoveries. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation reflects the change in portfolio investment values during the reporting period, including the reversal of previously recorded unrealized appreciation or depreciation when gains or losses are realized.

Fee Income

Fee income includes fees for guarantees and services rendered by the Company to portfolio companies and other third parties such as diligence, structuring, transaction services, management services, and other advisory services. Guaranty fees are recognized as income over the related period of the guaranty. Diligence, structuring, and transaction services fees are generally recognized as income when services are rendered or when the related transactions are completed. Management and other advisory services fees are generally recognized as income as the services are rendered.

Guarantees

The Company accounts for guarantees under FASB Interpretation No. 45, *Guarantors Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others* (the Interpretation). In accordance with the Interpretation, guarantees meeting the characteristics described in the Interpretation, and issued or modified after December 31, 2002, are recognized at fair value. However, certain guarantees are excluded from the initial recognition provisions of the Interpretation. See Note 5 for disclosures related to the Company's guarantees.

Financing Costs

Debt financing costs are based on actual costs incurred in obtaining debt financing and are deferred and amortized as part of interest expense over the term of the related debt instrument. Costs associated with the issuance of common stock, such as underwriting, accounting and legal fees, and printing costs are recorded as a reduction to the proceeds from the sale of common stock.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in banks and all highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

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Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

Dividends to Shareholders

Dividends to shareholders are recorded on the record date.

Stock Compensation Plans

The Company has a stock-based employee compensation plan. The Company accounts for this plan under the recognition and measurement principles of APB Opinion No. 25, *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*, and related interpretations. No stock-based employee compensation cost is reflected in net increase in net assets resulting from operations, as all options granted under this plan had an exercise price equal to the market value of the underlying common stock on the date of grant. The following table illustrates the effect on net increase in net assets resulting from operations and earnings per share if the Company had applied the fair value recognition provisions of FASB Statement No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, to stock-based employee compensation for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003.

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2004	2003	2004	2003
<i>(in thousands, except per share amounts)</i>				
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations as reported	\$85,999	\$33,744	\$201,649	\$113,557
Less total stock-based employee compensation expense determined under fair value based method for all awards, net of related tax effects	(3,226)	(2,043)	(13,822)	(10,121)
Pro forma net increase in net assets resulting from operations	82,773	31,701	187,827	103,436
Less preferred stock dividends		(45)	(52)	(155)
Pro forma net income available to common shareholders	\$82,773	\$31,656	\$187,775	\$103,281
Basic earnings per common share:				
As reported	\$ 0.67	\$ 0.28	\$ 1.57	\$ 0.99
Pro forma	\$ 0.64	\$ 0.27	\$ 1.46	\$ 0.91
Diluted earnings per common share:				
As reported	\$ 0.66	\$ 0.28	\$ 1.53	\$ 0.98
Pro forma	\$ 0.63	\$ 0.26	\$ 1.43	\$ 0.90

Pro forma expenses are based on the underlying value of the options granted by the Company. The fair value of each option grant is estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option pricing model and expensed over the vesting period. The following weighted average assumptions

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Note 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies, continued

were used to calculate the fair value of options granted during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003:

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2004 ⁽¹⁾	2003	2004	2003
Risk-free interest rate		3.2%	2.9%	2.7%
Expected life		5.0	5.0	5.0
Expected volatility		38.1%	37.0%	38.8%
Dividend yield		8.9%	8.8%	8.9%
Weighted average fair value per option		\$3.67	\$4.19	\$3.35

(1) There were no stock options granted during the three months ended September 30, 2004.

Federal and State Income Taxes

The Company intends to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code (Code) that are applicable to regulated investment companies (RIC) and real estate investment trusts (REIT). The Company and its subsidiaries that qualify as a RIC or a REIT intend to annually distribute or retain through a deemed distribution all of their taxable income to shareholders; therefore, the Company has made no provision for income taxes for these entities. AC Corp is a corporation subject to federal and state income taxes and records a benefit or expense for income taxes as appropriate.

Per Share Information

Basic earnings per common share is calculated using the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period presented. Diluted earnings per common share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if options to issue common stock were exercised into common stock. Earnings per share is computed after subtracting dividends on preferred shares.

Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

The consolidated financial statements include portfolio investments at value of \$3.0 billion and \$2.6 billion at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively. At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, 87% and 85%, respectively, of the Company's total assets represented investments whose fair values have been determined by the Board of Directors in good faith in the absence of readily available market values. Because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation, the Board of Directors determined values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for the investments, and the differences could be material.

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Note 3. Portfolio

Private Finance

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the private finance portfolio consisted of the following:

(\$ in thousands)	2004			2003		
	Cost	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Cost	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾
Loans and debt securities	\$ 1,533,953	\$ 1,401,088	15.2%	\$ 1,406,052	\$ 1,214,886	15.0%
Equity interests	639,362	629,897		500,079	687,786	
Total	\$ 2,173,315	\$ 2,030,985		\$ 1,906,131	\$ 1,902,672	

(1) The weighted average yield on loans and debt securities is computed as the (a) annual stated interest rate plus the annual amortization of loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount on accruing loans and debt securities, divided by (b) total loans and debt securities at value. At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the cost and value of loans and debt securities include the Class A equity interests in BLX and the guaranteed dividend yield on these equity interests is included in interest income. The weighted average yield is computed as of the balance sheet date.

Private finance investment activity principally involves providing financing through privately negotiated long-term debt and equity investments. Private finance investments are generally issued by private companies and are generally illiquid and subject to restrictions on resale or transferability. The annual stated interest rate is only one factor in pricing the investment relative to the Company's rights and priority in the portfolio company's capital structure, and will vary depending on many factors, including if the Company has received nominal cost equity or other components of investment return, such as loan origination fees or market discount. The stated interest rate may include some component of contractual payment-in-kind interest, which represents contractual interest accrued and added to the loan balance that generally becomes due at maturity. At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, approximately 99% and 97% respectively, of the Company's loans and debt securities had fixed interest rates.

Loans and debt securities generally have a maturity of five to ten years, with interest-only payments in the early years and payments of both principal and interest in the later years, although debt maturities and principal amortization schedules vary.

Equity interests consist primarily of securities issued by private companies and may be subject to restrictions on their resale and are generally illiquid. Equity securities generally do not produce a current return, but are held in anticipation of investment appreciation and ultimate gain on sale.

The Company's most significant investments at September 30, 2004, were in Business Loan Express, LLC and Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. The Company's most significant investments at December 31, 2003, were in Business Loan Express, LLC and The Hillman Companies, Inc. The Hillman Companies, Inc. was sold on March 31, 2004, as discussed below.

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the Company had an investment at value totaling \$352.1 million and \$342.2 million, respectively, in Business Loan Express, LLC (BLX), a small business lender that participates in the U.S. Small Business Administration's 7(a) Guaranteed Loan Program. At September 30, 2004, the Company owned 94.9% of the voting Class C equity interests. BLX has an equity appreciation rights plan for management which will dilute the value available to the Class C equity interest holders. BLX is headquartered in New York, NY.

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

The Company has provided BLX a \$20 million revolving credit facility for working capital that matures on June 30, 2005. At June 30, 2004, BLX had outstanding borrowings of \$10 million on the facility. This \$10 million was repaid by BLX during the third quarter, and there were no amounts outstanding under this facility at September 30, 2004.

As a limited liability company, BLX's taxable income flows through directly to its members. BLX's annual taxable income generally differs from its book income for the fiscal year due to temporary and permanent differences in the recognition of income and expenses. The Company holds all of BLX's Class A and Class B interests, and 94.9% of the Class C interests. BLX's taxable income is first allocated to the Class A interests to the extent that dividends are paid in cash or in kind on such interests, with the remainder being allocated to the Class B and Class C interests. BLX declares dividends on its Class B interests based on an estimate of its annual taxable income allocable to such interests.

BLX paid dividends to the Company in cash or in kind on the Class A interests totaling \$3.2 million and \$2.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively, and \$9.4 million and \$7.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. For the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, total dividends on the Class A interests included paid in kind dividends of \$1.5 million and \$1.4 million, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, total dividends on the Class A interests included paid in kind dividends of \$4.5 million and \$3.6 million, respectively. The guaranteed dividend yield on these equity interests is included in interest income. In addition, BLX paid dividends to the Company on the Class B interests totaling \$3.5 million and \$1.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively, and \$8.3 and \$3.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. These dividends were paid to the Company in kind through the issuance of additional Class B equity interests. The Class B dividends are included in dividend income. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, included a net decrease in unrealized appreciation of \$6.2 million on our investment in BLX.

At the time of the corporate reorganization of BLX from a C corporation to a limited liability company in 2003, for tax purposes BLX had a built-in gain representing the aggregate fair market value of its assets in excess of the tax basis of its assets. As a regulated investment company, the Company will be subject to special built-in gain rules on the assets of BLX. Under these rules, taxes will be payable by the Company at the time and to the extent that the built-in gains on BLX's assets at the date of reorganization are recognized in a taxable disposition of such assets in the 10-year period following the date of the reorganization. At such time, the built-in gains realized upon the disposition of these assets will be included in the Company's taxable income, net of the corporate level taxes paid by the Company on the built-in gains. However, if these assets are disposed of after the 10-year period, there will be no corporate level taxes on these built-in gains.

While the Company has no obligation to pay the built-in gains tax until these assets are disposed of in the future, it may be necessary to record a liability for these taxes in the future should the Company intend to sell the assets of BLX within the 10-year period. The Company estimates that its future tax liability resulting from the built-in gains at the date of BLX's reorganization may total up to \$40 million. At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the Company considered the increase in fair value of its investment in BLX due to BLX's tax attributes as an LLC and has also

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

considered the reduction in fair value of its investment due to these estimated built-in gain taxes in determining the fair value of its investment in BLX.

As the controlling equity owner of BLX, the Company has provided an unconditional guaranty to the BLX credit facility lenders in an amount up to 50% of the total obligations (consisting of principal, letters of credit issued under the facility, accrued interest, and other fees) on BLX's three-year unsecured \$275.0 million revolving credit facility, which includes a sub-facility for the issuance of letters of credit for up to a total of \$50.0 million. The facility matures in January 2007. The amount guaranteed by the Company at September 30, 2004, was \$101.6 million. This guaranty can be called by the lenders only in the event of a default by BLX. BLX was in compliance with the terms of its credit facility at September 30, 2004. At September 30, 2004, the Company had also provided four standby letters of credit totaling \$35.6 million in connection with four term securitization transactions completed by BLX. In consideration for providing the guaranty and the standby letters of credit, BLX paid the Company fees of \$1.6 million and \$1.0 million for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and \$4.4 million and \$2.9 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

Total interest and related portfolio income earned for the Company's investment in BLX for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, was \$12.2 million and \$10.1 million, respectively, which includes interest and dividend income of \$9.4 million and \$6.5 million, respectively, and fees and other income of \$2.8 million and \$3.6 million, respectively. Total interest and related portfolio income earned for the Company's investment in BLX for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, was \$35.1 million and \$32.8 million, respectively, which includes interest and dividend income of \$25.4 million and \$19.5 million, respectively, loan prepayment premiums of \$0 and \$0.1 million, and fees and other income of \$9.7 million and \$13.2 million, respectively.

The Company completed the purchase of a majority ownership position in the business of Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. (Advantage) on June 30, 2004. At September 30, 2004, the Company's investment totaled \$257.6 million at cost and value. At the closing of the transaction, the Company invested \$90.2 million in loans and subordinated debt and \$73.5 million in common stock. In addition, prior to completing the purchase, the Company had invested \$93.7 million in subordinated debt in certain predecessor companies of Advantage, of which \$45.5 million was invested during the second quarter of 2004. This existing debt was exchanged for new subordinated debt in Advantage as part of the transaction. At closing, the Company's investment in Advantage totaled \$257.2 million at cost. Advantage is a leading sales and marketing agency providing outsourced sales, merchandising, and marketing services to the consumer packaged goods industry. Advantage has offices across the country and is headquartered in Irvine, CA.

Total interest and related portfolio income earned for the Company's investment in Advantage for the three months ended September 30, 2004, was \$7.4 million, which includes interest income of \$5.9 million and fees and other income of \$1.5 million. Total interest and related portfolio income earned for the Company's investment in Advantage for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, (since and including June 30, 2004), was \$10.4 million, which includes interest income of \$6.0 million and fees and other income of \$4.4 million.

At December 31, 2003, the Company had an investment in The Hillman Companies, Inc. (Hillman) totaling \$234.5 million at value. On March 31, 2004, the Company sold Hillman for a total transaction value of \$510 million, including the repayment of outstanding debt and adding the value of Hillman's outstanding trust preferred shares. The Company was repaid its existing

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

\$44.6 million in outstanding mezzanine debt. Total consideration to the Company from the sale at closing, including the repayment of debt, was \$244.3 million, which included net cash proceeds of \$196.8 million and the receipt of a new subordinated debt instrument of \$47.5 million. For the nine months ended September 30, 2004, the Company realized a gain of \$150.2 million on the transaction, including a gain of \$1.2 million realized during the second quarter of 2004, resulting from post-closing adjustments, which provided additional cash consideration to the Company in the same amount. The sale of Hillman is subject to certain other post-closing adjustments. During the second quarter of 2004, the Company sold a \$5.0 million participation in its subordinated debt in Hillman to a third party, which reduced the Company's investment, and no gain or loss resulted from the transaction.

Total interest and related portfolio income earned for the Company's investment in Hillman for the three months ended September 30, 2003, was \$2.4 million, which included interest income of \$2.0 million and fees and other income of \$0.4 million. Total interest and related portfolio income earned for the Company's control investment in Hillman for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, was \$2.5 million and \$7.2 million, respectively, which included interest income of \$2.1 million and \$5.9 million, respectively, and fees and other income of \$0.4 million and \$1.3 million, respectively.

Other activities (at cost) in portfolio companies more than 25% owned during the nine months ended September 30, 2004, included:

a \$92.9 million debt and equity investment, including closing costs, to purchase a majority ownership position in Financial Pacific Company;

an \$83.9 million debt and equity investment, including closing costs, to purchase a majority ownership position in Mercury Air Centers, Inc.;

a \$6.6 million debt and equity investment, including closing costs, to purchase Legacy Partners Group, LLC and an additional debt investment of \$2.5 million for working capital;

an equity investment of \$7.5 million and an exchange of existing subordinated debt with a cost basis of \$7.3 million for equity interests in an affiliate of Impact Innovations Group, LLC (this investment was repaid during the third quarter of 2004);

GAC Investments, Inc.'s (GACI) acquisition of certain of the assets of Galaxy American Communications, LLC (Galaxy) out of bankruptcy during the third quarter of 2004. The Company exchanged its investment in Galaxy for debt and equity in GACI to facilitate the asset acquisition. The company is doing business as Longview Cable & Data. The Company's investment in GACI was \$54.4 million at cost at September 30, 2004, which included additional equity investments of \$3.7 million during the nine months ended September 30, 2004;

an exchange of existing debt securities, along with accrued and unpaid interest thereon, with a total cost basis of \$49.8 million for \$12.5 million of new debt and a 68.5% common stock interest in Startec Global Communications Corporation (Startec) upon its emergence from bankruptcy in May 2004. The Company also provided a \$4.0 million term loan to Startec to make an acquisition and for working capital;

a new equity investment of \$0.8 million and an exchange of existing debt securities, along with accrued and unpaid interest thereon, with a total cost basis of \$13.4 million for new debt of

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

\$11.3 million with the remaining cost basis attributed to equity, in Fairchild Industrial Products Company (Fairchild) upon its emergence from bankruptcy in July 2004. The Company now owns 100% of the common stock of Fairchild;

the repayment in kind of \$10.0 million of existing subordinated debt in American Healthcare Services, Inc. with debt in MedBridge Healthcare, LLC; and

the sale of The Color Factory, Inc. during the third quarter of 2004, resulting in a realized loss of \$24.5 million.

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, loans and debt securities at value not accruing interest were as follows:

(\$ in thousands)	2004	2003
Loans and debt securities in workout status (classified as Grade 4 or 5)		
Companies more than 25% owned	\$25,363	\$ 31,873
Companies 5% to 25% owned	1,698	2,777
Companies less than 5% owned	24,348	28,027
Loans and debt securities not in workout status		
Companies more than 25% owned	22,015	31,897
Companies less than 5% owned	17,468	16,532
 Total	 \$90,892	 \$ 111,106

The industry and geographic compositions of the private finance portfolio at value at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, were as follows:

	2004	2003
Industry		
Business services	35%	22%
Financial services	23	19
Consumer products	14	30
Healthcare services	8	8
Industrial products	7	6
Energy services	3	4
Retail	3	4
Telecommunications	2	2
Broadcasting and cable	2	2
Other	3	3
 Total	 100%	 100%
Geographic Region		
Mid-Atlantic	36%	40%
West	34	16
Midwest	16	26
Southeast	10	13
Northeast	4	4

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Total	100%	100%
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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

Commercial Real Estate Finance

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the commercial real estate finance portfolio consisted of the following:

(\$ in thousands)	2004			2003		
	Cost	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Cost	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾
CMBS bonds	\$596,595	\$604,459	12.4%	\$399,106	\$393,979	14.1%
CDO bonds and preferred shares	177,766	177,845	17.4%	186,824	186,557	16.7%
Loans	147,651	143,163	8.1%	87,427	83,639	8.6%
Real estate owned	16,075	14,637		15,931	12,856	
Equity interests	9,306	8,920		5,641	4,896	
Total	\$947,393	\$949,024		\$694,929	\$681,927	

- (1) The weighted average yield on the interest-bearing investments is computed as the (a) annual stated interest rate plus the annual amortization of loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount on accruing interest-bearing investments, divided by (b) total interest-bearing investments at value. The weighted average yield is computed as of the balance sheet date. Interest-bearing investments for the commercial real estate finance portfolio include all investments except for real estate owned and equity interests.

CMBS Bonds. At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, CMBS bonds consisted of the following:

(\$ in thousands)	2004	2003
	Face	\$1,366,445
Original issue discount	(769,850)	(617,427)
Cost	\$ 596,595	\$ 399,106
Value	\$ 604,459	\$ 393,979

The underlying rating classes of the CMBS bonds at cost and value at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, were as follows:

(\$ in thousands)	2004			2003		
	Cost	Value	Percentage of Total Value	Cost	Value	Percentage of Total Value
BBB-	\$ 25,828	\$ 26,138	4.3%	\$	\$	%
BB+	87,558	94,836	15.7	49,477	51,157	13.0
BB	58,156	62,455	10.3	22,031	23,008	5.9

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BB-	38,158	41,476	6.9	13,538	14,266	3.6
B+	65,537	70,257	11.6	54,464	54,246	13.8
B	59,604	60,438	10.0	38,416	38,362	9.7
B-	95,010	93,786	15.5	84,986	83,859	21.3
CCC+	24,123	20,103	3.3	15,935	15,494	3.9
CCC	22,640	17,994	3.0	13,323	11,413	2.9
CCC-				3,133	2,410	0.6
CC	1,231	791	0.2			
Unrated	118,750	116,185	19.2	103,803	99,764	25.3
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Total	\$596,595	\$604,459	100.0%	\$399,106	\$393,979	100.0%
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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

The BBB- rated and non-investment grade and unrated tranches of the CMBS bonds in which the Company invests are junior in priority for payment of interest and principal to the more senior tranches of the related CMBS bond issuance. Cash flow from the underlying mortgages is generally allocated first to the senior tranches in order of priority, with the most senior tranches having a priority right to the cash flow. Then, any remaining cash flow is allocated, generally, among the other tranches in order of their relative seniority. To the extent there are defaults and unrecoverable losses on the underlying mortgages or the properties securing those mortgages resulting in reduced cash flows, the most subordinate tranche will bear this loss first. At September 30, 2004, the face value of the CMBS bonds held by the Company were subordinate to 79% to 99% of the face value of the bonds issued in these various CMBS transactions. Given that the non-investment grade CMBS bonds in which the Company invests are junior in priority for payment of interest and principal, the Company invests in these CMBS bonds at a discount from the face amount of the bonds.

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the Company held CMBS bonds in 50 and 38 separate CMBS issuances, respectively. The underlying collateral pool, consisting of commercial mortgage loans and real estate owned (REO) properties, for these CMBS issuances consisted of the following at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003:

(\$ in millions)	2004	2003
Approximate number of loans and REO properties ⁽¹⁾	6,700	5,600
Total outstanding principal balance	\$49,559	\$38,437
Loans over 30 days delinquent or classified as REO properties ⁽²⁾	1.3%(3)	1.5%(3)

(1) Includes approximately 36 and 22 REO properties obtained through the foreclosure of commercial mortgage loans at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively.

(2) As a percentage of total outstanding principal balance.

(3) At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the Company's investments included bonds in the first loss, unrated bond class in 42 and 34 separate CMBS issuances, respectively. For these issuances, loans over 30 days delinquent or classified as REO properties were 1.6% and 1.7% of the total outstanding principal balance at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively.

The property types and the geographic composition of the underlying mortgage loans and REO properties in the underlying collateral pools for all CMBS issuances calculated using the outstanding principal balance at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, were as follows:

Property Type	2004	2003
Retail	35%	35%
Office	27	24
Housing	23	25
Industrial	5	5
Hospitality	4	5
Other	6	6
Total	100%	100%

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

	2004	2003
	_____	_____
Geographic Region		
West	29%	31%
Mid-Atlantic	28	27
Midwest	21	21
Southeast	17	17
Northeast	5	4
	_____	_____
Total	100%	100%
	_____	_____

The Company's yield on its CMBS bonds is based upon a number of assumptions that are subject to certain business and economic uncertainties and contingencies. Examples include the timing and magnitude of credit losses on the mortgage loans underlying the CMBS bonds that are a result of the general condition of the real estate market, including vacancies, changes in market rental rates and tenant credit quality. The initial yield on each CMBS bond has generally been computed assuming an approximate 1% loss rate on its underlying collateral mortgage pool, with the estimated losses being assumed to occur in three equal installments in years three, six, and nine. As each CMBS bond ages, the expected amount of losses and the expected timing of recognition of such losses will be updated, and the respective yield will be adjusted as appropriate. As these uncertainties and contingencies are difficult to predict and are subject to future events which may alter these assumptions, no assurance can be given that the anticipated yields to maturity will be achieved.

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the unamortized discount related to the CMBS bond portfolio was \$769.9 million and \$617.4 million, respectively, and the Company had set aside \$377.8 million and \$295.8 million, respectively, of this unamortized discount to absorb potential future losses. The yields on the CMBS bonds of 12.4% and 14.1%, respectively, assume that this amount that has been set aside will not be amortized.

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the Company had cumulatively reduced the face amount and the original issue discount on the CMBS bonds for specifically identified losses of \$57.6 million and \$52.6 million, respectively, which had the effect of also reducing the amount of unamortized discount set aside to absorb potential future losses since those losses have now been recognized. The reduction of the face amount and the original issue discount on the CMBS bonds to reflect specifically identified losses did not result in a change in the cost basis of the CMBS bonds at the time that the face amount and original issue discount were reduced.

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, CMBS bonds with a value of \$85 thousand and \$0.2 million, respectively, were not accruing interest.

Collateralized Debt Obligation Bonds and Preferred Shares (CDOs). At September 30, 2004, the Company owned BB rated bonds in two CDOs totaling \$2.9 million at value and preferred shares in eight CDOs totaling \$174.9 million at value. At December 31, 2003, the Company owned BBB rated bonds in one CDO totaling \$16.0 million at value, BB rated bonds in one CDO totaling \$0.9 million at value and preferred shares in seven CDOs totaling \$169.7 million at value.

The bonds and the preferred shares of the CDOs in which the Company has invested are junior in priority for payment of interest and principal to the more senior tranches of debt issued by the CDOs. Cash flow from the underlying collateral generally is allocated first to the senior bond tranches in order of priority, with the most senior tranches having a priority right to the cash flow. Then, any

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Note 3. Portfolio, continued

remaining cash flow is generally distributed to the preferred shareholders. To the extent there are defaults and unrecoverable losses on the underlying collateral that result in reduced cash flows, the preferred shares will bear this loss first and then the bonds would bear any loss after the preferred shares. At September 30, 2004, the Company's bonds and preferred shares in the CDOs were subordinate to 70% to 98% of the more senior tranches of debt issued in the various CDO transactions. In addition, included in the CMBS collateral for the CDOs at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, were certain CMBS bonds that are senior in priority of repayment to certain lower rated CMBS bonds held directly by the Company.

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the underlying collateral for the Company's investments in the outstanding CDO issuances had balances as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2004	2003
Investment grade REIT debt ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,392.3	\$ 1,338.0
Investment grade CMBS bonds ⁽²⁾	807.4	662.3
Non-investment grade CMBS bonds ⁽³⁾	1,183.3	1,133.7
Other collateral	118.7	32.4
Total collateral	\$ 3,501.7	\$ 3,166.4

(1) Issued by 42 and 44 REITs, respectively, for the periods presented.

(2) Issued in 97 and 78 issuances, respectively, for the periods presented.

(3) Issued in 76 and 68 issuances, respectively, for the periods presented.

The initial yields on the CDO bonds and preferred shares are based on the estimated future cash flows from the assets in the underlying collateral pool to be paid to these CDO classes. As each CDO bond and preferred share ages, the estimated future cash flows will be updated based on the estimated performance of the collateral, and the respective yield will be adjusted as necessary. As future cash flows are subject to uncertainties and contingencies that are difficult to predict and are subject to future events which may alter current assumptions, no assurance can be given that the anticipated yields to maturity will be achieved.

As of September 30, 2004 and 2003, the Company acted as the disposition consultant with respect to five and four, respectively, of the CDOs, which allows the Company to approve disposition plans for individual collateral securities. For these services, the Company collects annual fees based on the outstanding collateral pool balance, and for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, these fees totaled \$1.3 million and \$0.9 million, respectively.

Loans and Equity Interests. The commercial mortgage loan portfolio contains loans that were originated by the Company or were purchased from third-party sellers. At September 30, 2004, approximately 96% and 4% of the Company's commercial mortgage loan portfolio was composed of fixed and adjustable interest rate loans, respectively. At December 31, 2003, approximately 92% and 8% of the Company's commercial mortgage loan portfolio was composed of fixed and adjustable interest rate loans, respectively. As of September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, loans with a value of \$18.6 million and \$6.8 million, respectively, were not accruing interest. Loans greater than 120 days delinquent generally do not accrue interest.

Equity interests consist primarily of equity securities issued by privately owned companies that invest in single real estate properties. These equity interests may be subject to restrictions on their

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resale and are generally illiquid. Equity interests generally do not produce a current return, but are generally held in anticipation of investment appreciation and ultimate realized gain on sale.

The property types and the geographic composition securing the commercial mortgage loans and equity interests at value at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, were as follows:

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
Property Type		
Retail	48%	21%
Hospitality	34	41
Office	13	22
Housing	2	4
Healthcare		7
Other	3	5
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total	100%	100%
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Geographic Region		
Southeast	39%	34%
Midwest	30	30
Mid-Atlantic	15	9
West	12	20
Northeast	4	7
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total	100%	100%
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Note 4. Debt

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the Company had the following debt:

	<u>2004</u>			<u>2003</u>		
(\$ in thousands)	<u>Facility Amount</u>	<u>Amount Drawn</u>	<u>Annual Interest Cost⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>Facility Amount</u>	<u>Amount Drawn</u>	<u>Annual Interest Cost⁽¹⁾</u>
Notes payable and debentures:						
Unsecured notes payable	\$ 757,278	\$ 757,278	7.1%	\$ 854,000	\$ 854,000	7.2%
SBA debentures	84,800	77,500	8.2%	101,800	94,500	8.1%
OPIC loan	5,700	5,700	6.6%	5,700	5,700	6.6%
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Total notes payable and debentures	847,778	840,478	7.2%	961,500	954,200	7.3%
Revolving line of credit	552,500	327,250	3.9% ⁽²⁾	532,500		(2)

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Total debt	\$ 1,400,278	\$ 1,167,728	6.3% ⁽²⁾	\$ 1,494,000	\$ 954,200	7.5% ⁽²⁾
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(1) The weighted average annual interest cost is computed as the (a) annual stated interest rate on the debt plus the annual amortization of commitment fees and other facility fees that are recognized into interest expense over the contractual life of the respective borrowings, divided by (b) debt outstanding on the balance sheet date.

(2) The current interest rate payable on the revolving line of credit was 3.2% at September 30, 2004, which excluded the annual cost of commitment fees and other facility fees of \$2.2 million. The annual interest cost for total debt includes the annual cost of commitment fees and other facility fees on the revolving line of credit regardless of the amount drawn on the facility as of the balance sheet date. There were no amounts drawn on the revolving line of credit at December 31, 2003, and the annual cost of commitment fees and other facility fees was \$2.7 million.

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Note 4. Debt, continued

Notes Payable and Debentures

Unsecured Notes Payable. The Company has issued unsecured long-term notes to private institutional investors. The notes require semi-annual interest payments until maturity and have original terms of five or seven years. At September 30, 2004, the notes had remaining maturities of one month to six years. During the second quarter of 2004, the Company repaid \$112.0 million of these notes that matured on May 1, 2004. The notes may be prepaid in whole or in part, together with an interest premium, as stipulated in the note agreement.

On March 25, 2004, the Company issued five-year unsecured long-term notes denominated in Euros and Sterling for a total U.S. dollar equivalent of \$15.2 million. The notes have fixed interest rates and have substantially the same terms as the Company's existing unsecured notes. The Euro notes require annual interest payments and the Sterling notes require semi-annual interest payments until maturity. Simultaneous with issuing the notes, the Company entered into a cross-currency swap with a financial institution which fixed the Company's interest and principal payments in U.S. dollars for the life of the debt.

SBA Debentures. At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the Company had debentures payable to the SBA with original terms of ten years and at fixed interest rates ranging from 5.9% to 7.6%. During the first and third quarters of 2004, the Company repaid \$7.0 million and \$10.0 million of the SBA debentures, respectively. At September 30, 2004, the debentures had remaining maturities of one to eight years. The debentures require semi-annual interest-only payments with all principal due upon maturity. The SBA debentures are subject to prepayment penalties if paid prior to the fifth anniversary date of the notes. At September 30, 2004, the Company had a commitment from the SBA to borrow up to an additional \$7.3 million above the current amount outstanding. The commitment expires on September 30, 2005.

Scheduled Maturities. Scheduled future maturities of notes payable and debentures at September 30, 2004, were as follows:

Year	Amount Maturing
	(\$ in thousands)
2004	\$ 102,000
2005	169,000
2006	180,700
2007	
2008	153,000
Thereafter	235,778
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Total	\$ 840,478
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Revolving Line of Credit

The committed amount under the unsecured revolving credit facility was expanded during the second quarter of 2004 to \$552.5 million and may be further expanded through new or additional commitments up to \$600.0 million at the Company's option. The renewed line of credit expires in April 2005 and may be extended under substantially similar terms for one additional year at the Company's option. The facility generally bears interest at a rate, at the Company's option, equal to

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Note 4. Debt, continued

(i) the one-month LIBOR plus 1.50%, (ii) the Bank of America, N.A. cost of funds plus 1.50% or (iii) the higher of the Bank of America, N.A. prime rate or the Federal Funds rate plus 0.50%. The interest rate adjusts at the beginning of each new interest period, usually every 30 days. The facility requires an annual commitment fee equal to 0.25% of the committed amount. The annual cost of commitment fees and other facility fees was \$2.2 million and \$2.7 million at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively. The line of credit generally requires monthly payments of interest, and all principal is due upon maturity.

The average debt outstanding on the revolving line of credit was \$77.9 million and \$55.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively, and \$41.5 million for the year ended December 31, 2003. The maximum amount borrowed under this facility and the weighted average stated interest rate for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and the year ended December 31, 2003, were \$353.0 million and 2.2%, \$208.8 million and 2.6%, and \$208.8 million and 2.0%, respectively. As of September 30, 2004, the amount available under the revolving line of credit was \$180.0 million, net of amounts committed for standby letters of credit of \$45.3 million issued under the credit facility.

Covenant Compliance

The Company has various financial and operating covenants required by the notes payable and debentures and the revolving line of credit. These covenants require the Company to maintain certain financial ratios, including debt to equity and interest coverage, and a minimum net worth. The Company's credit facilities limit its ability to declare dividends if the Company defaults under certain provisions. As of September 30, 2004, the Company was in compliance with these covenants.

Note 5. Guarantees and Other Commitments

In the ordinary course of business, the Company has issued guarantees and has extended standby letters of credit through financial intermediaries on behalf of certain portfolio companies. All standby letters of credit have been issued through Bank of America, N.A. As of September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the Company had issued guarantees of debt, rental obligations, lease obligations and severance obligations aggregating \$107.4 million and \$83.4 million, respectively, and had extended standby letters of credit aggregating \$45.3 million and \$45.5 million, respectively. Under these arrangements, the Company would be required to make payments to third-party beneficiaries if the portfolio companies were to default on their related payment obligations. The maximum amount of future payments was \$152.7 million and \$128.9 million at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively. At September 30, 2004, \$0.3 million had been recorded as a liability for the Company's guarantees and no amounts had been recorded as a liability for the Company's standby letters of credit. At December 31, 2003, no amounts had been recorded as a liability for the Company's guarantees or standby letters of credit.

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Note 5. Guarantees and Other Commitments, continued

As of September 30, 2004, the guarantees and standby letters of credit expire as follows:

(in millions)	Total	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	After 2008
Guarantees	\$ 107.4	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.6	\$ 1.1	\$ 101.8	\$	\$ 3.6
Standby letters of credit ⁽¹⁾	45.3	—	1.2	44.1	—	—	—
Total	\$ 152.7	\$ 0.3	\$ 1.8	\$ 45.2	\$ 101.8	\$	\$ 3.6

(1) Standby letters of credit are issued under the Company's revolving line of credit that expires in April 2005 and may be extended under substantially similar terms for one additional year at the Company's option, for an assumed maturity of April 2006. Therefore, unless a standby letter of credit is set to expire at an earlier date, it is assumed that the standby letters of credit will expire contemporaneously with the expiration of the Company's line of credit in April 2006.

In the ordinary course of business, the Company enters into agreements with service providers and other parties that may contain provisions for the Company to indemnify such parties under certain circumstances.

At September 30, 2004, the Company had outstanding commitments to fund investments totaling \$399.4 million.

Note 6. Preferred Stock

At December 31, 2003, Allied Investment had outstanding a total of 60,000 shares of \$100 par value, 3% cumulative preferred stock and 10,000 shares of \$100 par value, 4% redeemable cumulative preferred stock issued to the SBA pursuant to Section 303(c) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, as amended. In April 2004, Allied Investment redeemed the preferred stock by paying the SBA the par value of such securities plus any dividends accumulated and unpaid to the date of redemption.

Note 7. Shareholders' Equity

Sales of common stock for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, were as follows:

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2004	2003
(in thousands)		
Number of common shares		13,670
Gross proceeds	\$	\$ 312,845
Less costs, including underwriting fees		(14,596)
Net proceeds	\$	\$ 298,249

In addition, the Company issued 123,814 shares of common stock with a value of \$3.2 million to acquire one portfolio investment during the nine months ended September 30, 2004.

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Note 7. Shareholders Equity, continued

The Company has a dividend reinvestment plan, whereby the Company may buy shares of its common stock in the open market or issue new shares in order to satisfy dividend reinvestment requests. If the Company issues new shares, the issue price is equal to the average of the closing sale prices reported for the Company's common stock for the five consecutive trading days immediately prior to the dividend payment date. For the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, the Company issued new shares in order to satisfy dividend reinvestment requests.

Dividend reinvestment plan activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, was as follows:

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2004	2003
(in thousands, except per share amounts)		
Shares issued	167	219
Average price per share	\$26.34	\$22.62

Note 8. Earnings Per Common Share

Earnings per common share for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, were as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2004	2003	2004	2003
(in thousands, except per share amounts)				
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	\$ 85,999	\$ 33,744	\$201,649	\$113,557
Less preferred stock dividends		(45)	(52)	(155)
Income available to common shareholders	\$ 85,999	\$ 33,699	\$201,597	\$113,402
Weighted average common shares outstanding basic	129,304	118,855	128,812	113,985
Dilutive options outstanding to officers	1,888	2,051	2,675	1,243
Weighted average common shares outstanding diluted	131,192	120,906	131,487	115,228
Basic earnings per common share	\$ 0.67	\$ 0.28	\$ 1.57	\$ 0.99
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.66	\$ 0.28	\$ 1.53	\$ 0.98

Note 9. Individual Performance Award

In the first quarter of 2004, the Company established the Individual Performance Award (IPA) as a long-term incentive compensation program for its senior officers. In conjunction with the program, the Company has approved a non-qualified deferred compensation plan

(DCP II), which is administered through a trust. The administrator of the DCP II is the Compensation

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Note 9. Individual Performance Award, continued

Committee of the Company's Board of Directors (DCP II Administrator) and the DCP II trust is administered by a Company-appointed trustee.

The IPA, which will generally be determined annually at the beginning of each year, will be deposited in the trust in four equal installments, generally on a quarterly basis, in the form of cash. The Compensation Committee has designed the DCP II to then require the trustee to use the cash exclusively to purchase shares of the Company's common stock in the open market.

All amounts deposited and then credited to a participant's account in the trust, based on the amount of the IPA received by such participant, are credited solely for purposes of accounting and computation and remain assets of the Company and subject to the claims of the Company's general creditors. Amounts credited to participants under the DCP II are immediately vested and non-forfeitable once deposited by the Company into the trust. A participant's account shall generally become distributable only after his or her termination of employment, or in the event of a change of control of the Company. Upon the participant's termination of employment, one-third of the participant's account will be immediately distributed, one-half of the then current remaining balance will be distributed on the first anniversary of his or her employment termination date and the remainder of the account balance will be distributed on the second anniversary of the employment termination date. Distributions are subject to the participant's adherence to certain non-solicitation requirements. All DCP II accounts will be distributed in a single lump sum in the event of a change of control of the Company. To the extent that a participant has an employment agreement, such participant's DCP II account will be fully distributed in the event that such participant's employment is terminated for good reason as defined under that participant's employment agreement. The DCP II Administrator may also determine other distributable events and the timing of such distributions. Sixty days following a distributable event, the Company and each participant may, at the discretion of the Company, and subject to the Company's trading window during that time, redirect the participant's account to other investment options.

During any period of time in which a participant has an account in the DCP II, any dividends declared and paid on shares of the Company's common stock allocated to the participant's account shall be reinvested by the trustee as soon as practicable in shares of the Company's common stock purchased in the open market.

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, the Company recorded \$3.2 million and \$10.2 million, respectively in IPA expense. These amounts were contributed into the DCP II trust and have or will be invested in the Company's common stock. The accounts of the DCP II are consolidated with the Company's accounts. The common stock is classified as common stock held in deferred compensation trust in the accompanying financial statements and the deferred compensation obligation, which represents the amount owed to the employees, is included in other liabilities. Changes in the value of the Company's common stock are not recognized in the common stock held in deferred compensation trust. However, the obligation is adjusted with a corresponding charge or credit to compensation expense. The effect of this adjustment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, was to reduce the individual performance award expense by \$0.1 million and \$0.7 million, respectively. This resulted in a total IPA expense of \$3.1 million and \$9.5 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004, respectively.

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Note 10. Stock Option Plan

The purpose of the stock option plan (Option Plan) is to provide officers and non-officer directors of the Company with additional incentives. Options are exercisable at a price equal to the fair market value of the shares on the day the option is granted. Each option states the period or periods of time within which the option may be exercised by the optionee, which may not exceed ten years from the date the option is granted. The options granted vest ratably over a three- or five-year period.

All rights to exercise options terminate 60 days after an optionee ceases to be (i) a non-officer director, (ii) both an officer and a director, if such optionee serves in both capacities, or (iii) an officer (if such officer is not also a director) of the Company for any cause other than death or total and permanent disability. In the event of a change of control of the Company, all outstanding options will become fully vested and exercisable as of the change of control.

On May 12, 2004, the Company's shareholders amended the Option Plan to increase the authorized number of shares under the plan to 32.2 million. At December 31, 2003, there were 26.0 million shares authorized under the Option Plan. At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the number of shares available to be granted under the Option Plan was 8.1 million and 8.8 million, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2004, 7.9 million shares were granted to employees under the Option Plan at an average exercise price of \$28.47 per share.

Options were outstanding for 20.4 million and 14.9 million shares with a weighted average exercise price of \$23.53 and \$20.68 per share at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively.

Note 11. Dividends and Distributions

The Company's Board of Directors declared and the Company paid a dividend of \$0.57 per common share for the first, second and third quarters of 2004 and 2003. These dividends totaled \$220.8 million and \$196.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. The Company declared an extra cash dividend of \$0.03 per share during 2002 and this was paid to shareholders on January 9, 2003.

The Company's Board of Directors also declared a dividend of \$0.57 per common share for the fourth quarter of 2004.

Note 12. Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information

For the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, the Company paid interest of \$46.8 million and \$42.3 million, respectively. For the nine months ended September 30, 2004, the Company's non-cash financing activities totaled \$4.4 million related to the issuance of common stock in lieu of cash distributions, and \$3.2 million related to the issuance of common stock as consideration to acquire Legacy Partners Group, LLC. For the nine months ended September 30, 2003, the Company's non-cash financing activities totaled \$5.0 million related to the issuance of common stock in lieu of cash distributions.

Non-cash operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, include notes or other securities received as consideration from the sale of investments of \$53.9 million. The notes received for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, include a note received for \$47.5 million in conjunction with the sale of the Company's investment in Hillman. During the second quarter of 2004, the Company sold a \$5.0 million participation in its subordinated debt in Hillman to a third party, which reduced its investment, and no gain or loss resulted from the transaction. Non-cash

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Note 12. Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information, continued

operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, also included an exchange of \$48.3 million of subordinated debt in certain predecessor companies of Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. for new subordinated debt in Advantage; an exchange of existing debt securities with a cost basis of \$46.4 million for new debt and common stock in Startec Global Communications Corporation; an exchange of existing debt securities with a cost basis of \$13.1 million for new debt of \$11.3 million with the remaining cost basis attributed to equity in Fairchild Industrial Products Company; the repayment in kind of \$10.0 million of existing subordinated debt in American Healthcare Services, Inc. with debt in MedBridge Healthcare, LLC; and an exchange of existing subordinated debt with a cost basis of \$7.3 million for equity interests in an affiliate of Impact Innovations Group, LLC. In addition, GACI acquired certain assets of Galaxy out of bankruptcy during the third quarter of 2004. The Company exchanged its \$50.7 million debt investment in Galaxy for debt and equity in GACI to facilitate the asset acquisition. See Note 3 for related disclosures.

Non-cash operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2003, included transfers of commercial mortgage loans and real estate owned in the repayment of the Company's residual interest related to the Company's 1998 asset securitization totaling \$69.3 million, real estate owned received in connection with foreclosure on commercial mortgage loans of \$9.1 million, receipt of commercial mortgage loans in satisfaction of private finance loans and debt securities of \$9.1 million and receipt of a note as consideration from the sale of real estate owned of \$2.1 million.

Note 13. Hedging Activities

The Company invests in CMBS and CDO bonds, which are purchased at prices that are based in part on comparable Treasury rates. The Company has entered into transactions with one or more financial institutions to hedge against movement in Treasury rates on certain of the higher rated CMBS bonds and CDO bonds. These transactions, referred to as short sales, involve the Company receiving the proceeds from the short sales of borrowed Treasury securities, with the obligation to replenish the borrowed Treasury securities at a later date based on the then current market price. Borrowed Treasury securities and the related obligations to replenish the borrowed Treasury securities

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Note 13. Hedging Activities, continued

at value, including accrued interest payable on the obligations, as of September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, consisted of the following:

(\$ in thousands) Description of Issue	2004	2003
5-year Treasury securities, due November 2007	\$ 7,211	\$ 7,185
5-year Treasury securities, due February 2008		5,977
5-year Treasury securities, due March 2009	11,018	
5-year Treasury securities, due April 2009	2,219	
5-year Treasury securities, due May 2009	5,674	
5-year Treasury securities, due June 2009	6,845	
5-year Treasury securities, due September 2009	18,205	
10-year Treasury securities, due November 2012	9,627	9,357
10-year Treasury securities, due February 2013	22,605	32,226
10-year Treasury securities, due May 2013	5,425	5,281
10-year Treasury securities, due August 2013	21,449	23,666
10-year Treasury securities, due November 2013	35,230	14,833
10-year Treasury securities, due February 2014	38,735	
10-year Treasury securities, due May 2014	40,174	
10-year Treasury securities, due August 2014	46,245	
Total	\$ 270,662	\$ 98,525

As of September 30, 2004, the total obligations to replenish borrowed Treasury securities had increased since the related original sale dates due to changes in the yield on the borrowed Treasury securities, resulting in unrealized depreciation on the obligations of \$2.3 million. As of December 31, 2003, the total obligations to replenish borrowed Treasury securities had decreased since the related original sale dates due to changes in the yield on the borrowed Treasury securities, resulting in unrealized appreciation on the obligations of \$0.6 million.

The net proceeds related to the sales of the borrowed Treasury securities were \$267.5 million and \$98.5 million at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively. Under the terms of the transactions, the Company had provided additional cash collateral of \$3.2 million and \$18 thousand at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively, for the difference between the net proceeds related to the sales of the borrowed Treasury securities and the obligations to replenish the securities.

The Company has deposited the proceeds related to the sales of the borrowed Treasury securities and the additional cash collateral with Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC under repurchase agreements. The repurchase agreements are collateralized by U.S. Treasury securities and are settled weekly. As of September 30, 2004, the repurchase agreements were due on October 6, 2004, and had a weighted average interest rate of 1.2%. The weighted average interest rate on the repurchase agreements as of December 31, 2003, was 0.3%.

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Note 14. Financial Highlights

	At and for the Nine Months Ended September 30,		At and for the Year Ended December 31, 2003
	2004 ⁽¹⁾	2003	
Per Common Share Data⁽²⁾			
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$ 14.94	\$ 14.22	\$ 14.22
Net investment income	1.11	1.22	1.65
Net realized gains ⁽³⁾	1.34	0.44	0.63
Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation ⁽³⁾	(0.92)	(0.68)	(0.66)
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations	1.53	0.98	1.62
Net decrease in net assets from shareholder distributions	(1.71)	(1.71)	(2.28)
Net increase in net assets from capital share transactions	0.14	0.97	1.38
Net asset value, end of period	\$ 14.90	\$ 14.46	\$ 14.94
Market value, end of period	\$ 24.39	\$ 24.59	\$ 27.88
Total return ⁽⁴⁾	(7)%	21%	41%
Ratios and Supplemental Data			
(\$ and shares in thousands, except per share amounts)			
Ending net assets	\$ 1,935,740	\$ 1,775,587	\$ 1,914,577
Common shares outstanding at end of period	129,898	122,766	128,118
Diluted weighted average common shares outstanding	131,487	115,228	118,351
Employee and administrative expenses/average net assets ⁽⁵⁾	3.31%	2.58%	3.50%
Total expenses/average net assets	6.32%	6.09%	8.06%
Net investment income/average net assets	7.66%	8.59%	11.51%
Net increase in net assets resulting from operations/ average net assets	10.56%	6.92%	11.33%
Portfolio turnover rate	20.19%	20.04%	31.12%
Average debt outstanding	\$ 973,528	\$ 939,903	\$ 943,507
Average debt per share ⁽²⁾	\$ 7.40	\$ 8.16	\$ 7.97

(1) The results for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, are not necessarily indicative of the operating results to be expected for the full year.

(2) Based on diluted weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period.

(3) Net realized gains and net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation can fluctuate significantly from period to period. As a result, year-to-date comparisons may not be meaningful.

(4) Total return assumes the reinvestment of all dividends paid for the periods presented.

(5) Employee expenses for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, include the expense related to the individual performance award totaling \$9.5 million.

ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

Note 15. Litigation

The Company is party to certain lawsuits in the normal course of business. While the outcome of these legal proceedings cannot at this time be predicted with certainty, the Company does not expect that these proceedings will have a material effect upon the Company's financial condition or results of operations.

Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Board of Directors and Shareholders

Allied Capital Corporation:

We have reviewed the accompanying consolidated balance sheet of Allied Capital Corporation and subsidiaries, including the consolidated statement of investments, as of September 30, 2004, and the related consolidated statements of operations for the three- and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, the consolidated statements of changes in net assets and cash flows and the financial highlights (included in Note 14) for the nine-month periods ended September 30, 2004 and 2003. These consolidated financial statements and financial highlights are the responsibility of the Company's management.

We conducted our reviews in accordance with standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). A review of interim financial information consists principally of applying analytical procedures and making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. It is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our reviews, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the consolidated financial statements and financial highlights referred to above for them to be in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

We have previously audited, in accordance with standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the consolidated balance sheet of Allied Capital Corporation and subsidiaries as of December 31, 2003, and the related consolidated statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flows (not presented herein), and the financial highlights (included in Note 14), for the year then ended; and in our report dated February 17, 2004, we expressed an unqualified opinion on those consolidated financial statements. In our opinion, the information set forth in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2003, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated balance sheet from which it has been derived.

/s/ KPMG LLP

Washington, D.C.

October 26, 2004

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

The following analysis of the financial condition and results of operations of the Company should be read in conjunction with the Company's Consolidated Financial Statements and the Notes thereto included herein and in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003. This quarterly report on Form 10-Q contains certain forward-looking statements. These statements include the plans and objectives of management for future operations and financial objectives and can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as may, will, expect, intend, anticipate, estimate, or continue or the negative thereof or other variations thereon or other terminology. These forward-looking statements are subject to the inherent uncertainties in predicting future results and conditions. Certain factors that could cause actual results and conditions to differ materially from those projected in these forward-looking statements are set forth below in the Risk Factors section. Other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially include:

changes in the economy;

risks associated with possible disruption in our operations due to terrorism;

future changes in laws or regulations and conditions in our operating areas; and

other risks and uncertainties as may be detailed from time to time in our public announcements and SEC filings.

Financial or other information presented for private finance portfolio companies has been obtained from the portfolio companies, and the financial information presented may represent unaudited, projected or pro forma financial information, and therefore may not be indicative of actual results. In addition, the private equity industry uses financial measures such as EBITDA or EBITDAM (Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation, Amortization and, in some instances, Management fees) in order to assess a portfolio company's financial performance and to value a portfolio company. EBITDA and EBITDAM are not intended to represent cash flow from operations as defined by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and such information should not be considered as an alternative to net income, cash flow from operations or any other measure of performance prescribed by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

OVERVIEW

We are a business development company that provides long-term debt and equity investment capital to companies in a variety of industries. Our lending and investment activity is generally focused on private finance and commercial real estate finance, primarily the investment in non-investment grade commercial mortgage-backed securities, which we refer to as CMBS, and collateralized debt obligation bonds and preferred shares, which we refer to as CDOs. Our private finance activity principally involves providing financing through privately negotiated long-term debt and equity investment capital. Our private financing is generally used to fund growth, acquisitions, buyouts, recapitalizations, note purchases, bridge financings and other types of financings. We generally invest in private companies though, from time to time, we may invest in companies that are public but lack access to additional public capital or whose securities may not be marginable.

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Our portfolio composition at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, was as follows:

	2004	2003
Private finance	68%	74%
Commercial real estate finance	32%	26%

Our earnings depend primarily on the level of interest and dividend income, fee and other income, and net gains or losses earned on our investment portfolio after deducting interest expense on borrowed capital and operating expenses. Interest income results from the stated interest rate earned on a loan and the amortization of loan origination points and discounts. The level of interest income is directly related to the balance of the interest-bearing investment portfolio outstanding during the period multiplied by the weighted average yield. Our ability to generate interest income is dependent on economic, regulatory, and competitive factors that influence new investment activity, the amount of loans and debt securities for which interest is not accruing and our ability to secure debt and equity capital for our investment activities.

Because we are a regulated investment company for tax purposes, we distribute substantially all of our taxable income as dividends to our shareholders.

PORTFOLIO AND INVESTMENT ACTIVITY

The total portfolio at value, investment activity, and the yield on interest-bearing investments at and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and at and for the year ended December 31, 2003, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	At and for the Three Months Ended September 30,		At and for the Nine Months Ended September 30,		At and for the Year Ended December 31,
	2004	2003	2004	2003	2003
	(unaudited)		(unaudited)		
Portfolio at value	\$2,980.0	\$2,601.1	\$2,980.0	\$2,601.1	\$2,584.6
Investments funded	\$ 311.9	\$ 138.4	\$1,106.9	\$ 664.8	\$ 931.5
Change in accrued or reinvested interest and dividends	\$ 5.5	\$ 19.6	\$ 31.7	\$ 40.0	\$ 45.0
Principal collections related to investment repayments or sales	\$ 111.7	\$ 74.5	\$ 542.5	\$ 501.5	\$ 784.0
Yield ⁽¹⁾	14.2%	14.5%	14.2%	14.5%	14.7%

(1) The weighted average yield on interest-bearing investments is computed as the (a) annual stated interest rate plus the annual amortization of loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount on accruing interest-bearing investments, divided by (b) total interest-bearing investments at value. The weighted average yield is computed as of the balance sheet date.

Private Finance

The private finance portfolio at value, investment activity, and the yield on loans and debt securities at and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and at and for the year ended December 31, 2003, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	At and for the Three Months Ended September 30,		At and for the Nine Months Ended September 30,		At and for the Year Ended December 31,
	2004	2003	2004	2003	2003
	(unaudited)		(unaudited)		
Portfolio at value:					
Loans and debt securities	\$ 1,401.1	\$ 1,158.7	\$ 1,401.1	\$ 1,158.7	\$ 1,214.9
Equity interests	629.9	650.0	629.9	650.0	687.8
Total portfolio	\$ 2,031.0	\$ 1,808.7	\$ 2,031.0	\$ 1,808.7	\$ 1,902.7
Investments funded ⁽¹⁾	\$ 244.0	\$ 31.7	\$ 806.4	\$ 305.7	\$ 498.0
Change in accrued or reinvested interest and dividends	\$ 3.9	\$ 18.4	\$ 25.4	\$ 37.8	\$ 41.8
Principal collections related to investment repayments or sales	\$ 98.8	\$ 53.7	\$ 493.2	\$ 199.7	\$ 314.3
Yield ⁽²⁾	15.2%	15.3%	15.2%	15.3%	15.0%

(1) Investments funded for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, include a \$47.5 million subordinated debt investment in The Hillman Companies, Inc. received in conjunction with the sale of Hillman as discussed below.

(2) The weighted average yield on loans and debt securities is computed as the (a) annual stated interest rate plus the annual amortization of loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount on accruing loans and debt securities, divided by (b) total loans and debt securities at value. The weighted average yield is computed as of the balance sheet date.

Investments funded for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and for the year ended December 31, 2003, consisted of the following:

(\$ in millions)	Loans and Debt Securities	Equity Interests	Total
For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004			
Companies more than 25% owned	\$ 267.1	\$ 135.4	\$ 402.5
Companies 5% to 25% owned	89.4	24.4	113.8
Companies less than 5% owned	276.5	13.6	290.1
Total	\$ 633.0	\$ 173.4	\$ 806.4
For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003			
Companies more than 25% owned	\$ 48.0	\$ 28.2	\$ 76.2
Companies 5% to 25% owned	18.2	1.8	20.0
Companies less than 5% owned	203.8	5.7	209.5
Total	\$ 270.0	\$ 35.7	\$ 305.7

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<i>For the Year Ended December 31, 2003</i>			
Companies more than 25% owned	\$ 53.0	\$ 34.0	\$ 87.0
Companies 5% to 25% owned	23.8	1.9	25.7
Companies less than 5% owned	377.4	7.9	385.3
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Total	\$454.2	\$ 43.8	\$498.0
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The level of investment activity for investments funded and principal repayments for private finance investments can vary substantially from period to period depending on many factors, including the amount of debt and equity capital available to middle market companies, the level of merger and acquisition activity for such companies, the general economic environment, and the competitive environment for the types of investments we make. Merger and acquisition activity in the middle market has been strong in the first three quarters of 2004, which has resulted in an increase in private finance investments funded, as well as increased repayments. The yield on the private finance loans and debt securities was 15.2% at September 30, 2004, as compared to 15.0% at December 31, 2003. The yield on the portfolio has remained relatively stable, however, we expect that if the market continues to be as competitive for investment opportunities as it currently is, we may experience some yield compression going forward.

On June 30, 2004, we completed the purchase of a majority ownership position in the business of Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. (Advantage), a leading sales and marketing agency providing outsourced sales, merchandising, and marketing services to the consumer packaged goods industry. At September 30, 2004, our investment in Advantage totaled \$257.6 million at cost and value in debt and equity securities, including closing costs. At the closing of the transaction, we invested \$90.2 million in loans and subordinated debt and \$73.5 million in common stock. In addition, prior to completing the purchase, we had invested \$93.7 million in subordinated debt in certain predecessor companies of Advantage, of which \$45.5 million was invested during the second quarter of 2004. This existing debt was exchanged for new subordinated debt in Advantage as part of the transaction.

Also during the second quarter, we completed the purchase of a majority ownership position in Mercury Air Centers, Inc. (Mercury), an operator of fixed base operations, from Mercury Air Group, Inc. At September 30, 2004, our investment in Mercury totaled \$83.9 million at cost and value, including closing costs, which consisted of \$53.5 million in debt and \$30.4 million in common stock. We have an additional \$8.5 million commitment to fund senior subordinated debt for future working capital and construction commitments. In connection with the transaction, Mercury Air Group, Inc. repaid its \$24 million subordinated debt obligation to Allied Capital.

During the third quarter of 2004, we completed the purchase of a majority ownership position in Financial Pacific Company (Financial Pacific), a specialized commercial finance company focused on providing leases for business-essential equipment to small businesses nationwide. At September 30, 2004, our investment in Financial Pacific totaled \$92.9 million at cost and value, including closing costs, which consisted of \$68.1 million in debt and \$24.8 million in preferred and common stock.

On March 31, 2004, we sold The Hillman Companies, Inc. (Hillman) for a total transaction value of \$510 million, including the repayment of outstanding debt and adding the value of Hillman's outstanding trust preferred shares. We were repaid our existing \$44.6 million in outstanding mezzanine debt. Total consideration to us from this sale at closing, including the repayment of debt, was \$244.3 million, which included net cash proceeds of \$196.8 million and the receipt of a new subordinated debt instrument of \$47.5 million. During the second quarter of 2004, we sold a \$5.0 million participation in our subordinated debt in Hillman to a third party, which reduced our investment, and no gain or loss resulted from the transaction. For the nine months ended September 30, 2004, we realized a gain of \$150.2 million on the transaction, including a gain of \$1.2 million realized during the second quarter of 2004, resulting from post-closing adjustments, which provided additional cash consideration to us in the same amount. The sale of Hillman is subject to certain other post-closing adjustments.

In addition, investments funded to portfolio companies more than 25% owned during the nine months ended September 30, 2004, included a \$6.6 million debt and equity investment, including

closing costs, to purchase Legacy Partners Group, LLC and an additional debt investment of \$2.5 million for working capital.

We generally fund new investments using cash. In addition, we may acquire securities in exchange for our common equity. Also, we may acquire new securities through the reinvestment of previously accrued interest and dividends in debt or equity securities, or the current reinvestment of interest and dividend income through the receipt of a debt or equity security (payment-in-kind income). From time to time we may opt to reinvest accrued interest receivable in a new debt or equity security in lieu of receiving such interest in cash and then using that cash to make a subsequent investment.

At September 30, 2004, we had outstanding investment commitments to private finance portfolio companies totaling \$395.1 million. In addition, we had commitments to private finance portfolio companies in the form of guarantees and standby letters of credit totaling \$150.0 million.

Significant outstanding investment commitments at September 30, 2004, included the following:

\$97.7 million of financing and purchase commitments to Callidus Capital Corporation (Callidus), an asset management company that structures and manages collateralized debt obligations (CDOs), senior loan collateralized loan obligations (CLOs), and other related investments. Our commitment consists of \$50 million of subordinated debt to support Callidus warehouse facilities and warehousing activities, \$47.0 million to purchase below investment grade bonds and preferred equity securities in Callidus future CDO or CLO transactions, and \$0.7 million for working capital needs. In addition, we have an outstanding commitment of \$150.0 million in the form of a revolving line of credit facility to support Callidus middle-market underwriting and syndication activities. There were no amounts outstanding under this facility at September 30, 2004. At September 30, 2004, we had an investment in Callidus totaling \$7.1 million at value, which included equity ownership for 80% of the management company. We made our initial investment in Callidus in the fourth quarter of 2003.

Callidus has a secured warehouse credit facility for up to \$350 million to finance the acquisition of senior corporate loans pending securitization through a CDO or CLO. In conjunction with this warehouse credit facility, we have agreed to designate \$32.3 million of our \$50 million subordinated debt commitment for Callidus to draw upon to provide first loss capital as needed to support the warehouse facility.

\$55.1 million in the form of subordinated debt to CBA Mezzanine Capital Finance, LLC to support its loan origination activity. This commitment expires in April 2005 and there are currently no amounts outstanding under this facility.

\$20.0 million in the form of a revolving credit facility to Business Loan Express, LLC (BLX) to provide working capital to the company. At September 30, 2004, BLX had no outstanding borrowings on the facility.

\$24.0 million in the form of equity to eight private venture capital funds.

\$9.7 million in the form of equity to Pennsylvania Avenue Investors, L.P., a limited partnership that invests in private buyout equity funds.

In addition to the commitments listed above, we may have commitments to fund additional amounts under earn-out arrangements in the future if certain performance targets are met.

Our most significant investments at September 30, 2004, were in Business Loan Express, LLC (BLX), which was acquired in 2000, and Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. (Advantage), which was acquired on June 30, 2004.

Business Loan Express, LLC. At September 30, 2004, our investment in BLX totaled \$271.2 million at cost and \$352.1 million at value, or 10.2% of our total assets, which includes unrealized appreciation of \$80.9 million.

BLX is a national, non-bank lender utilizing the SBA's 7(a) Guaranteed Loan Program and is licensed by the SBA as a Small Business Lending Company (SBLC). BLX is a nationwide preferred lender, as designated by the SBA, and originates, sells, and services small business loans. In addition to the SBA 7(a) Guaranteed Loan Program, BLX originates conventional small business loans, originates loans under the USDA Business and Industry Guaranteed Loan Program (B&I) and during the quarter ended March 31, 2004, BLX began originating small investment real estate loans. BLX has offices across the United States and is headquartered in New York, New York. Changes in the laws or regulations that govern SBLCs or the SBA 7(a) Guaranteed Loan Program or changes in government funding for this program could have a material adverse impact on BLX and, as a result, could negatively affect our financial results.

Certain legislation regarding the SBA 7(a) loan program expired on September 30, 2004. In addition, the SBA is operating under a continuing resolution which allows funding for the agency until Congress approves its appropriations for fiscal year 2005. As a result, certain changes were implemented in the SBA 7(a) loan program effective October 1, 2004. The maximum loan guarantee was reduced from \$1.5 million to \$1 million and piggyback lending (when the SBA 7(a) loan is in a junior lien position) was prohibited. At this time, based upon our analysis of BLX's position in the market, the strength of its non-SBA conventional loan program, we do not believe there will be any long-term adverse effect on BLX.

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Summary financial data for BLX at and for its fiscal years ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, is presented below. Summary financial data has been provided by BLX and is unaudited.

	At and for the Fiscal Years Ended September 30,	
	2004 ⁽¹⁾	2003
(\$ in millions)		
Operating Data		
Total revenue	\$ 118.3	\$ 108.3
Net income ⁽²⁾	\$ 13.2	\$ 4.7
Earnings before interest, taxes and management fees (EBITM) ⁽²⁾	\$ 44.7	\$ 37.5
Balance Sheet Data		
Total assets	\$ 443.7	\$ 353.0
Total debt	\$ 229.2	\$ 178.5
Total owners' equity	\$ 152.0	\$ 136.1
Other Data		
Loan originations		
SBA 7(a)	\$ 358.6	\$ 502.4
Conventional	287.0	151.6
B&I	11.4	31.8
	<u>657.0</u>	<u>685.8</u>
	657.0	685.8
Serviced loan portfolio	\$2,572.9	\$2,227.4
Number of loans	3,573	3,136
Loan delinquencies ⁽³⁾	8.9%	8.3%
Serviced Loan Portfolio by Industry		
Hotels	24%	24%
Gas stations/convenience stores	20	19
Professional and retail services	12	12
Restaurants	8	9
Manufacturing and industrial	8	9
Car wash/auto repair services	7	7
Child care and health care services	6	6
Recreation	5	5
Shrimp/fishing vessels	4	5
Other	6	4
	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>
	100%	100%

(1) Summary financial data at and for BLX's fiscal year ended September 30, 2004, is preliminary and unaudited.

(2) For the fiscal year ended September 30, 2003, EBITM and net income were reduced by \$2.3 million due to costs associated with its acquisition of Amresco Independence Funding, Inc. and its reorganization from a corporation to a limited liability company (LLC) and \$2.3 million due to the increased value of issued and outstanding equity appreciation rights. In addition, net income for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2003, was increased by \$3.4 million due to the reversal of certain net deferred tax liabilities upon the conversion of BLX from a corporation to a limited liability company. As an LLC, BLX is generally not subject to federal income tax; however, BLX is subject to certain state income and franchise taxes, and income taxes associated with a taxable subsidiary corporation.

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Represents the percentage of loans in the total serviced loan portfolio that are greater than 30 days delinquent, which includes loans in workout status. Loans greater than 30 days delinquent for the SBA 7(a) loan portfolio only, which are included in the total serviced loan portfolio, were 9.5% at September 30, 2004. SBA 7(a) loans greater than one year old at September 30, 2004, had a delinquency rate of 11.6%. BLX will from time to time grant a 90-day deferment to borrowers experiencing short-term cash flow shortfalls. Loans that have been granted a deferment that perform as required are not considered delinquent consistent with SBA practice. The ability of small businesses to repay their loans may be adversely affected by numerous factors, including a downturn in their industry or negative economic conditions. Small businesses are also more vulnerable to customer preferences, competition, rising fuel prices and market conditions and, as a result, delinquencies in BLX's portfolio may increase. For instance, the shrimp and fishing industry has been affected by rising fuel costs and competition from imported shrimp, which has resulted in an increase in loan delinquencies. For these reasons, BLX focuses on collateral protection for each loan in addition to the cash flow of the small business and generally receives personal guarantees from the principal owners of the small business.

BLX's revenues consist of cash premiums from guaranteed loan sales, gain on sale income arising from loans sold at par or securitized where BLX will receive future cash flows representing the spread between loan interest and the interest paid on bonds issued including service fee income, interest income on loans remaining in BLX's portfolio, and other income. Gain on sale income is a non-cash source of income when recognized, and as future cash flows are received, the resulting cash reduces the receivable or residual interest that is recognized when the loan is sold. The total of cash loan sale premiums, cash interest income and cash received from residual interests and other cash income is equal to approximately 83% of BLX's revenue of \$118.3 million for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2004, and approximately 83% of BLX's revenue of \$108.3 million for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2003.

BLX's business is to originate small business loans and then sell substantially all of the loans originated for cash proceeds. Loans originated during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2004, totaled \$657.0 million. Proceeds from loan sales during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2004, totaled approximately \$618.8 million. Loans originated during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2003, totaled \$685.8 million. Proceeds from loan sales during the fiscal year ended September 30, 2003, totaled approximately \$664.2 million. From time to time, BLX funds the construction of commercial real estate projects and as a result is unable to sell a construction loan until the loan is fully funded and the construction is complete. In addition, BLX typically does not immediately receive the proceeds from the sale of its SBA 7(a) guaranteed and unguaranteed loan strips sold, but receives the cash upon settlement. Therefore, until BLX sells construction loans or fully funded loans held for sale, it will finance the origination of the loans through funding on its revolving line of credit, or through financing provided by us.

BLX sells the guaranteed piece of SBA 7(a) guaranteed loans for cash premiums of up to 10% of the guaranteed loan amount plus a retained annual servicing fee generally between 1.0% and 2.4% of the guaranteed loan amount. Cash premiums received from guaranteed loan sales during the fiscal years ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, were approximately \$27.1 million and \$31.3 million in total, respectively. Alternatively, BLX may sell the guaranteed pieces of SBA 7(a) guaranteed loans at par and receive cash only for the face amount of the loan sold, and instead of receiving a cash premium, BLX will receive an annual servicing spread on the loans sold of between 4.0% and 5.0%.

In addition, BLX sells the unguaranteed pieces of the SBA 7(a) loans and conventional loans it originates into a conduit facility. The conduit loans are securitized and BLX retains an interest of up to 5.0% of the loan pool. BLX then receives the excess of loan interest payments on the loans sold over the interest cost on the securities issued in the securitization over the life of the loan pool, which is generally between 4.3% and 5.0% annually on the loans sold into the securitization pools.

When BLX sells a guaranteed piece of an SBA 7(a) loan at par, or when BLX securitizes a loan, it will record a residual interest and servicing asset, together referred to as the Residual Interest, in order to account for the retained interest in the loans sold and the net present value of the future cash flows it expects to receive from the loans sold or securitized. In computing the Residual Interest, BLX discounts estimated future cash flows after making assumptions as to future loan losses and loan prepayments, which may reduce future cash flows. For the fiscal years ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, BLX received cash payments from the Residual Interest of approximately \$59.7 million and \$49.3 million, respectively.

At September 30, 2004, BLX's Residual Interest totaled \$215.5 million, representing BLX's estimate of the net present value of future cash flows of scheduled loan payments, after estimated future loan losses and loan prepayments. If scheduled loan payments were to be received as stated in the loan agreements with no future losses or prepayments, BLX would receive future cash flows of \$924.3 million over time, with approximately \$73.1 million, \$65.2 million, \$63.7 million, and

\$62.0 million (or \$264.0 million in the aggregate) scheduled to be received in the next four years ending on September 30, 2005, 2006, 2007, and 2008, respectively.

As a limited liability company, BLX's taxable income flows through directly to its members. BLX's annual taxable income generally differs from its book income for the fiscal year due to temporary and permanent differences in the recognition of income and expenses. We hold all of BLX's Class A and Class B interests, and 94.9% of the Class C interests. BLX's taxable income is first allocated to the Class A interests to the extent that dividends are paid in cash or in kind on such interests, with the remainder being allocated to the Class B and Class C interests. BLX declares dividends on its Class B interests based on an estimate of its annual taxable income allocable to such interests.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, BLX paid dividends to us in cash or in kind on the Class A interests totaling \$9.4 million and \$7.4 million, respectively. The guaranteed dividend yield on these equity interests is included in interest income. In addition, for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, BLX paid dividends to us on the Class B interests totaling \$8.3 million and \$3.0 million, respectively, and these dividends were paid to us in kind through the issuance of additional Class B equity interests.

At September 30, 2004, BLX had a three-year \$275.0 million revolving credit facility that matures in January 2007. The facility provides for a sub-facility for the issuance of letters of credit for up to a total of \$50.0 million. As the controlling equity owner in BLX, we have provided an unconditional guaranty to the revolving credit facility lenders in an amount of up to 50% of the total obligations (consisting of principal, letters of credit issued under the facility, accrued interest, and other fees) of BLX under the revolving credit facility. At September 30, 2004, the principal amount outstanding on the revolving credit facility was \$185.8 million and letters of credit issued under the facility were \$17.0 million. The total obligations guaranteed by us at September 30, 2004, was \$101.6 million. This guaranty can be called by the lenders only in the event of a default by BLX. BLX was in compliance with the terms of the revolving credit facility at September 30, 2004. At September 30, 2004, we had also provided four standby letters of credit totaling \$35.6 million in connection with four term securitization transactions completed by BLX.

We have a commitment to BLX of \$20.0 million in the form of a revolving credit facility to provide working capital to the company. This facility matures on June 30, 2005. At September 30, 2004, BLX had no outstanding borrowings under this facility.

Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. At September 30, 2004, our investment in Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc. totaled \$257.6 million at cost and value, or 7.5% of our total assets. As discussed above, we completed the purchase of a majority ownership position in Advantage on June 30, 2004. Advantage is a leading sales and marketing agency providing outsourced sales, merchandising, and marketing services to the consumer packaged goods industry. Advantage has offices across the country and is headquartered in Irvine, CA.

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Commercial Real Estate Finance

The commercial real estate finance portfolio at value, investment activity, and the yield on interest-bearing investments at and for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and at and for the year ended December 31, 2003, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	At and for the Three Months Ended September 30,				At and for the Nine Months Ended September 30,				At and for the Year Ended December 31, 2003	
	2004		2003		2004		2003		Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾
	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾	Value	Yield ⁽¹⁾		
Portfolio at value:										
CMBS bonds	\$ 604.5	12.4%	\$ 523.6	12.9%	\$ 604.5	12.4%	\$ 523.6	12.9%	\$ 394.0	14.1%
CDO bonds and preferred shares	177.8	17.4%	164.8	16.9%	177.8	17.4%	164.8	16.9%	186.6	16.7%
Commercial mortgage loans	143.2	8.1%	85.5	8.7%	143.2	8.1%	85.5	8.7%	83.6	8.6%
Real estate owned	14.6		13.5		14.6		13.5		12.8	
Equity interests	8.9		5.0		8.9		5.0		4.9	
Total portfolio	\$ 949.0		\$ 792.4		\$ 949.0		\$ 792.4		\$ 681.9	
Investments funded	\$ 67.9		\$ 106.7		\$ 300.5		\$ 359.1		\$ 433.5	
Change in accrued or reinvested interest	\$ 1.6		\$ 1.2		\$ 6.3		\$ 2.2		\$ 3.2	
Principal collections related to investment repayments or sales	\$ 12.9		\$ 20.8		\$ 49.3		\$ 301.8		\$ 469.7	

(1) The weighted average yield on the interest-bearing investments is computed as the (a) annual stated interest rate plus the annual amortization of loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount on accruing interest-bearing investments, divided by (b) total interest-bearing investments at value. The weighted average yield is computed as of the balance sheet date. Interest-bearing investments for the commercial real estate finance portfolio include all investments except for real estate owned and equity interests.

Our commercial real estate investment activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and for the year ended December 31, 2003, was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Face Amount	Discount	Amount Funded
For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004			
CMBS bonds (14 issuances)	\$ 363.9	\$(158.6)	\$ 205.3
CDO bonds and preferred shares (1 issuance)	4.0	(0.3)	3.7
Commercial mortgage loans	99.7	(8.3)	91.4
Equity interests	0.1		0.1
Total	\$ 467.7	\$(167.2)	\$ 300.5
For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003			
CMBS bonds (14 issuances)	\$ 432.1	\$(195.1)	\$ 237.0
CDO bonds and preferred shares (1 issuance)	118.4	(0.3)	118.1
Commercial mortgage loans	1.8		1.8

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Equity interests	2.2	2.2	2.2
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Total	\$554.5	\$(195.4)	\$359.1
	—	—	—
<i>For the Year Ended December 31, 2003</i>			
CMBS bonds (18 issuances)	\$508.5	\$(225.9)	\$282.6
CDO bonds and preferred shares (3 issuances)	145.8	(0.4)	145.4
Commercial mortgage loans	3.0		3.0
Real estate owned	2.5		2.5
	—	—	—
Total	\$659.8	\$(226.3)	\$433.5
	—	—	—

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At September 30, 2004, we had outstanding funding commitments related to commercial mortgage loans and equity interests of \$4.2 million and commitments in the form of standby letters of credit and guarantees related to equity interests of \$2.7 million.

CMBS Bonds. The underlying pools of mortgage loans that are collateral for our investments in new CMBS bond issuances for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and for the year ended December 31, 2003, had respective original underwritten loan to value and underwritten debt service coverage ratios as follows:

Loan to Value Ranges (\$ in millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,				For the Year Ended December 31, 2003	
	2004		2003		Amount	Percentage
	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage		
Less than 60%	\$ 3,164.5	24%	\$ 3,265.2	23%	\$ 4,114.3	22%
60-65%	1,245.8	10	1,091.1	8	1,582.8	9
65-70%	1,088.1	8	1,484.1	10	1,768.0	10
70-75%	2,555.1	20	3,065.8	21	4,024.3	22
75-80%	4,500.1	35	5,324.2	37	6,560.5	36
Greater than 80%	430.3	3	75.5	1	138.6	1
Total	\$ 12,983.9	100%	\$ 14,305.9	100%	\$ 18,188.5	100%
Weighted average loan to value	68.0%		68.5%		68.5%	

Debt Service Coverage Ratio Ranges (\$ in millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,				For the Year Ended December 31, 2003	
	2004		2003		Amount	Percentage
	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage		
Greater than 2.00	\$ 2,015.3	16%	\$ 3,563.6	25%	\$ 4,208.7	23%
1.76-2.00	1,356.8	10	1,439.9	10	2,094.6	12
1.51-1.75	1,703.8	13	2,589.5	18	3,132.8	17
1.26-1.50	5,836.7	45	5,654.4	40	7,362.9	40
Less than 1.25	2,071.3	16	1,058.5	7	1,389.5	8
Total	\$ 12,983.9	100%	\$ 14,305.9	100%	\$ 18,188.5	100%
Weighted average debt service coverage ratio	1.62		1.75		1.73	

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From time to time, we may sell lower yielding CMBS bonds rated BB+ through BB-, and to a lesser extent CMBS bonds rated B+ and B, in order to maximize the return on our CMBS bond portfolio. The cost basis of and the gross sales proceeds from CMBS bonds sold, the related net realized gains from these sales, and the weighted average yield on the CMBS bonds sold for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and for the year ended December 31, 2003, were as follows:

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,		For the Year Ended December 31,
	2004	2003	2003
	(\$ in millions)		
Cost basis	\$6.3	\$253.5	\$412.3
Gross sales proceeds ⁽¹⁾	\$6.4	\$284.8	\$446.8
Net realized gains (net of related hedge gains or losses)	\$0.1	\$ 24.6	\$ 31.6
Weighted average yield	7.7%	11.8%	10.1%

(1) Gross sales proceeds represent the total cash consideration received, including the repayment of the cost basis of the bonds and proceeds related to the net realized gains on the bonds.

The BBB- rated and non-investment grade and unrated tranches of the CMBS bonds in which we invest are junior in priority for payment of interest and principal to the more senior tranches of the related CMBS bond issuance. Cash flow from the underlying mortgages is generally allocated first to the senior tranches in order of priority, with the most senior tranches having a priority right to the cash flow. Then, any remaining cash flow is allocated, generally, among the other tranches in order of their relative seniority. To the extent there are defaults and unrecoverable losses on the underlying mortgages or the properties securing those mortgages resulting in reduced cash flows, our most subordinate tranche will bear this loss first. At September 30, 2004, the face value of the CMBS bonds we held were subordinate to 79% to 99% of the face value of the bonds issued in these various CMBS transactions. Given that the non-investment grade CMBS bonds in which we invest are junior in priority for payment of interest and principal, we invest in these CMBS bonds at a discount from the face amount of the bonds. The discount increases with the decrease in the seniority of the CMBS bonds. For the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and for the year ended December 31, 2003, the average discount for the CMBS bonds in which we invested was 44%, 45% and 44%, respectively.

At September 30, 2004, the unamortized discount related to the CMBS bond portfolio was \$769.9 million, of which \$377.8 million has been set aside to absorb potential future losses. The yield on the CMBS bonds of 12.4% assumes that this amount that has been set aside will not be amortized. As the amount of future losses and the expected timing of recognition of such losses is difficult to predict and are subject to future events which may alter these assumptions, no assurance can be given that the anticipated yield will be achieved. At September 30, 2004, the CMBS bond portfolio had a fair value of \$604.5 million, which included net unrealized appreciation on the CMBS bonds of \$7.9 million.

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The yield on the CMBS bond portfolio at any point in time will vary depending on the concentration of lower yielding BB- and above rated CMBS bonds held in the portfolio. Our CMBS bond portfolio and the related yields at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	September 30, 2004		December 31, 2003	
	Value	Yield	Value	Yield
CMBS bonds rated BB- and above	\$224.9	7.4%	\$ 88.4	8.2%
CMBS bonds rated below BB-	379.6	15.4%	305.6	15.8%
Total	\$604.5	12.4%	\$394.0	14.1%

We sold substantially all of our B+ and above rated CMBS bonds in October 2004. As a result of this bond sale, the yield on the remaining CMBS portfolio will increase.

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the age of our bonds rated below BB- was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2004		2003	
	Value	Percentage	Value	Percentage
Less than one year old	\$ 99.3	26.2%	\$ 83.9	27.5%
One to two years old	81.6	21.5	41.0	13.4
Two to three years old	45.6	12.0	43.8	14.3
Three years old or older	153.1	40.3	136.9	44.8
Total	\$379.6	100.0%	\$305.6	100.0%

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, we held CMBS bonds in 50 and 38 separate CMBS issuances, respectively. The underlying collateral pool, consisting of commercial mortgage loans and real estate owned (REO) properties, for these CMBS bonds consisted of the following at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003:

(\$ in million)	2004	2003
Approximate number of loans and REO properties ⁽¹⁾	6,700	5,600
Total outstanding principal balance	\$49,559	\$38,437
Loans over 30 days delinquent or classified as REO properties ⁽²⁾	1.3%(3)	1.5%(3)

(1) Includes approximately 36 and 22 REO properties obtained through the foreclosure of commercial mortgage loans at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively.

(2) As a percentage of total outstanding principal balance.

(3) At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, our investments included bonds in the first loss, unrated bond class in 42 and 34 separate CMBS issuances, respectively. For these issuances, loans over 30 days delinquent or classified as REO properties were 1.6% and 1.7% of the total outstanding principal balance at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively.

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Collateralized Debt Obligation Bonds and Preferred Shares. During the nine months ended September 30, 2004, we sold CDO bonds with a cost basis of \$16.3 million for a net realized gain of \$0.1 million, net of the related hedge gain. During the nine months ended September 30, 2003, and the year ended December 31, 2003, we sold CDO bonds and preferred shares with a cost basis of \$8.6 million and \$13.9 million, respectively, for net realized losses of \$0.1 million for both periods, net of the related hedge gains or losses. The yield on the CDO bonds and preferred shares sold was 7.6%, 8.2%, and 8.0% for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and for the year ended December 31, 2003, respectively.

The BB rated bonds and the preferred shares of the CDOs in which we have invested are junior in priority for payment of interest and principal to the more senior tranches of debt issued by the

CDOs. To the extent there are defaults and unrecoverable losses on the underlying collateral that result in reduced cash flows, the preferred shares will bear this loss first and then the bonds would bear any loss after the preferred shares. At September 30, 2004, our bonds and preferred shares in the CDOs were subordinate to 70% to 98% of the more senior tranches of debt issued in the various CDO transactions. In addition, included in the CMBS collateral for the CDOs at September 30, 2004, are certain CMBS bonds that are senior in priority of repayment to certain lower rated CMBS bonds held directly by us.

The yield on our CDO bonds and preferred shares at September 30, 2004 and 2003, and December 31, 2003, was 17.4%, 16.9% and 16.7%, respectively. The yield on the CDO portfolio at any point in time will generally vary depending on the amount of lower yielding CDO bonds held in the portfolio.

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, the underlying collateral for our investments in the outstanding CDO issuances had balances as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2004	2003
Investment grade REIT debt ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,392.3	\$ 1,338.0
Investment grade CMBS bonds ⁽²⁾	807.4	662.3
Non-investment grade CMBS bonds ⁽³⁾	1,183.3	1,133.7
Other collateral	118.7	32.4
Total collateral	\$ 3,501.7	\$ 3,166.4

(1) Issued by 42 and 44 REITs, respectively, for the periods presented.

(2) Issued in 97 and 78 issuances, respectively, for the periods presented.

(3) Issued in 76 and 68 issuances, respectively, for the periods presented.

Portfolio Asset Quality

Portfolio by Grade. We employ a standard grading system for our entire portfolio. Grade 1 is used for those investments from which a capital gain is expected. Grade 2 is used for investments performing in accordance with plan. Grade 3 is used for investments that require closer monitoring; however, no loss of investment return or principal is expected. Grade 4 is used for investments that are in workout and for which some loss of current investment return is expected, but no loss of principal is expected. Grade 5 is used for investments that are in workout and for which some loss of principal is expected.

At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, our portfolio was graded as follows:

Grade	At September 30, 2004		At December 31, 2003	
	Portfolio at Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio	Portfolio at Value	Percentage of Total Portfolio
(\$ in millions)				
1	\$ 646.0	21.7%	\$ 985.1	38.1%
2	2,109.0	70.7	1,271.4	49.2
3	118.3	4.0	212.4	8.2
4	11.4	0.4	34.7	1.4
5	95.3	3.2	81.0	3.1
	\$ 2,980.0	100.0%	\$ 2,584.6	100.0%

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The decrease in Grade 1 assets at September 30, 2004, as compared to December 31, 2003, is primarily due to the sale of Hillman on March 31, 2004. The value of Hillman at December 31, 2003, was \$234.5 million, and this value was included in Grade 1 assets. We received \$47.5 million of

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new subordinated debt in Hillman in conjunction with the sale. During the second quarter of 2004, we sold a participation in this debt of \$5.0 million to a third party, which reduced our investment. The remaining balance of this new debt was included in Grade 2 assets at September 30, 2004. Grade 2 investments at September 30, 2004, increased over Grade 2 investments at December 31, 2003, primarily due to new investments made during 2004. Investments in new portfolio companies generally enter the portfolio as Grade 2 investments. We continue to include our CMBS portfolio in Grade 2 assets, as we are uncertain as to whether the unrealized appreciation or depreciation on our CMBS portfolio at September 30, 2004, will necessarily result in a realized gain or loss.

Total Grade 3, 4 and 5 portfolio assets were \$225.0 million, or 7.5% of the portfolio, at September 30, 2004, as compared to \$328.1 million, or 12.7% of the portfolio, at December 31, 2003. Included in Grade 3, 4 and 5 assets at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, were assets totaling \$51.5 million and \$31.1 million, respectively, that are secured by or invested in commercial real estate.

Grade 4 and 5 assets include loans, debt securities, and equity securities. We expect that a number of portfolio companies will be in the Grade 4 or 5 categories from time to time. Part of the business of private finance is working with troubled portfolio companies to improve their businesses and protect our investment. The number of portfolio companies and related investment amount included in Grade 4 and 5 may fluctuate from period to period. We continue to follow our historical practice of working with such companies in order to recover the maximum amount of our investment.

Loans and Debt Securities on Non-Accrual Status. At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, loans and debt securities at value not accruing interest for the total investment portfolio were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2004	2003
Loans and debt securities in workout status (classified as Grade 4 or 5) ⁽¹⁾		
Private finance		
Companies more than 25% owned	\$ 25.4	\$ 31.9
Companies 5% to 25% owned	1.7	2.7
Companies less than 5% owned	24.3	28.0
Commercial real estate finance	8.3	6.8
Loans and debt securities not in workout status		
Private finance		
Companies more than 25% owned	22.0	31.9
Companies less than 5% owned	17.5	16.5
Commercial real estate finance	10.3	0.2
Total	\$109.5	\$ 118.0
Percentage of total portfolio	3.7%	4.6%

(1) Workout loans and debt securities exclude equity securities that are included in the total Grade 4 and 5 assets above.

Loans and Debt Securities Over 90 Days Delinquent. Loans and debt securities greater than 90 days delinquent at value at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2004	2003
Private finance	\$ 71.6	\$ 85.6
Commercial real estate finance		
CMBS bonds	48.7	40.3
Commercial mortgage loans	8.1	3.7
Total	\$128.4	\$129.6

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Percentage of total portfolio	4.3%	5.0%
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Loans and debt securities on non-accrual status and over 90 days delinquent should not be added together as they are two separate measures of portfolio asset quality. Loans and debt securities that are in both categories (i.e., on non-accrual status and over 90 days delinquent) totaled \$40.5 million

and \$46.1 million at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively, which included loans and debt securities that are secured by commercial real estate of \$8.2 million and \$3.9 million, respectively.

As a provider of long-term privately negotiated investment capital, we may defer payment of principal or interest from time to time. The nature of our private finance portfolio company relationships frequently provide an opportunity for portfolio companies to amend the terms of payment to us or to restructure their debt and equity capital. During such restructuring, we may not receive or accrue interest or dividend payments. As a result, the amount of the private finance portfolio that is greater than 90 days delinquent or on non-accrual status may vary from period to period. The investment portfolio is priced to provide current returns for shareholders assuming that a portion of the portfolio at any time may not be accruing interest currently. We also price our private finance investments for a total return including interest or dividends plus capital gains from the sale of equity securities.

For CMBS bonds, interest payments are made to bondholders from the cash flow on the underlying collateral. To the extent there are defaults and unrecoverable losses on the underlying collateral resulting in reduced cash flows, the lower rated tranches of the CMBS bonds in which we invest may not receive current interest payments and, therefore, may become delinquent. However, if the reduced cash flows resulting from defaults or losses in the underlying collateral pool have been factored into our yield on the bonds, we may continue to accrue interest on the bonds to the extent that we expect to collect such interest over time.

Given these factors, the amount of loans, debt securities, or CMBS bonds on non-accrual status or greater than 90 days delinquent is not necessarily an indication of future principal loss or loss of anticipated investment return. Our portfolio grading system is used as a means to assess loss of investment return or investment principal.

Hedging Activities

We have invested in CMBS bonds, which are purchased at prices that are based in part on comparable Treasury rates. We have entered into transactions with financial institutions to hedge against movement in Treasury rates on certain of the higher rated CMBS bonds and CDO bonds. These transactions, referred to as short sales, involve receiving the proceeds from the short sales of borrowed Treasury securities, with the obligation to replenish the borrowed Treasury securities at a later date based on the then current market price, whatever that price may be. Risks in these contracts arise from movements in the value of the borrowed Treasury securities due to changes in interest rates and from the possible inability of counterparties to meet the terms of their contracts. If the value of the borrowed Treasury securities increases, we will incur losses on these transactions. These losses are limited to the increase in value of the borrowed Treasury securities; conversely, the value of the hedged CMBS and CDO bonds would likely increase. If the value of the borrowed Treasury securities decreases, we will incur gains on these transactions which are limited to the decline in value of the borrowed Treasury securities; conversely, the value of the hedged CMBS and CDO bonds would likely decrease. We do not anticipate nonperformance by any counterparty in connection with these transactions.

The total obligations to replenish borrowed Treasury securities, including accrued interest payable on the obligations, were \$270.7 million and \$98.5 million at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively. The net proceeds related to the sales of the borrowed Treasury securities plus the additional cash collateral provided under the terms of the transactions were \$270.7 million and \$98.5 million at September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, respectively. The amount of the hedge will vary from period to period depending upon the amount of higher rated CMBS bonds and CDO bonds that we own and have hedged as of the balance sheet date.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**Comparison of Three Months Ended September 30, 2004 and 2003**

The following table summarizes the Company's operating results for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003.

(\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		Change	Percentage Change
	2004	2003		
	(unaudited)			
Interest and Related Portfolio Income				
Interest and dividends	\$ 85,828	\$ 78,895	\$ 6,933	9%
Loan prepayment premiums	193	2,523	(2,330)	(92)%
Fees and other income	10,842	7,452	3,390	45%
Total interest and related portfolio income	96,863	88,870	7,993	9%
Expenses				
Interest	20,253	20,334	(81)	%
Employee	10,817	9,480	1,337	14%
Individual performance award	3,079		3,079	**
Administrative	10,169	5,897	4,272	72%
Total operating expenses	44,318	35,711	8,607	24%
Net investment income before income taxes	52,545	53,159	(614)	(1)%
Income tax benefit	(200)	(449)	249	**
Net investment income	52,745	53,608	(863)	(2)%
Net Realized and Unrealized Gains (Losses)				
Net realized gains (losses)	1,300	(6,438)	7,738	*
Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation	31,954	(13,426)	45,380	*
Total net gains (losses)	33,254	(19,864)	53,118	*
Net income	\$ 85,999	\$ 33,744	\$52,255	155%
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 0.66	\$ 0.28	\$ 0.38	136%
Weighted average common shares outstanding diluted	131,192	120,906	10,286	9%

* Net realized gains and losses and net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation can fluctuate significantly from period to period. As a result, quarterly comparisons of net gains and losses may not be meaningful.

** Percentage change is not meaningful.

Interest and Related Portfolio Income. Total interest and related portfolio income includes interest and dividend income, loan prepayment premiums, and fees and other income.

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Interest and dividend income for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, was composed of the following:

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
(\$ in millions)		
Interest	\$81.4	\$75.6
Dividends	4.4	3.3
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total interest and dividends	\$85.8	\$78.9
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

The level of interest income, which includes interest paid in cash and in kind, is directly related to the balance of the interest-bearing investment portfolio outstanding during the period multiplied by the weighted average yield. The weighted average yield varies from period to period based on the

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current stated interest rate earned on interest-bearing investments and the amount of loans and debt securities for which interest is not accruing. The interest-bearing investments in the portfolio at value and the weighted average yield on the interest-bearing investments in the portfolio at September 30, 2004 and 2003, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2004	2003
Interest-bearing portfolio	\$2,341.2	\$1,946.1
Portfolio yield	14.2%	14.5%

Dividend income results from the dividend yield on preferred equity interests, if any, or the declaration of dividends by a portfolio company on preferred or common equity interests. Dividend income will vary from period to period depending upon the level of yield on our preferred equity interests and the timing and amount of dividends that are declared by a portfolio company on preferred or common equity interests. Dividend income for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, includes \$3.5 million and \$1.0 million, respectively, of dividends from BLX on the Class B equity interests held by us. These dividends were paid in kind through the issuance of additional Class B equity interests.

Loan prepayment premiums were \$0.2 million and \$2.5 million for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. While the scheduled maturities of private finance and commercial real estate loans range from five to ten years, it is not unusual for our borrowers to refinance or pay off their debts to us ahead of schedule. Therefore, we generally structure our loans to require a prepayment premium for the first three to five years of the loan. Accordingly, the amount of prepayment premiums will vary depending on the level of repayments and the age of the loans at the time of repayment.

Fees and other income primarily include fees related to financial structuring, diligence, transaction services, management services to portfolio companies, guarantees, and other advisory services. As a business development company, we are required to make significant managerial assistance available to the companies in our investment portfolio. Managerial assistance includes management and consulting services including, but not limited to, corporate finance, information technology, marketing, human resources, personnel and board member recruiting, corporate governance, and risk management.

Fees and other income for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, included fees relating to the following:

(\$ in millions)	2004	2003
Structuring and diligence	\$ 4.3	\$ 0.7
Transaction and other services provided to portfolio companies	0.8	2.2
Management services provided to portfolio companies, other advisory services and guaranty fees	5.1	4.3
Other income	0.6	0.3
Total fees and other income	\$ 10.8	\$ 7.5

Fees and other income are generally related to specific transactions or services and therefore may vary substantially from period to period depending on the level and types of services provided. Loan origination fees that represent yield enhancement on a loan are capitalized and amortized into interest income over the life of the loan. Fees and other income for the three months ended September 30, 2004, include structuring fees from Financial Pacific totaling \$2.2 million.

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BLX and Advantage were our most significant investments at September 30, 2004, and together represented 17.7% of our total assets. Total interest and related portfolio income earned from BLX and Advantage for the three months ended September 30, 2004, was \$12.2 million and \$7.4 million, respectively.

BLX and Hillman were our most significant investments at September 30, 2003, and together represented 17.7% of our total assets. Total interest and related portfolio income earned from BLX and Hillman for the three months ended September 30, 2003, was \$10.1 million and \$2.4 million, respectively. As discussed above, we sold Hillman on March 31, 2004.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses include interest, employee, and administrative expenses. Our single largest expense is interest on our indebtedness. The fluctuations in interest expense during the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, were primarily attributable to changes in the level of our borrowings under various notes payable and debentures and our revolving line of credit. Our borrowing activity and weighted average cost of debt, including fees and closing costs, at and for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, were as follows:

	At and for the Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2004	2003
(\$ in millions)		
Total Outstanding Debt	\$ 1,167.7	\$ 954.2
Average Outstanding Debt	\$ 1,075.3	\$ 965.3
Weighted Average Cost ⁽¹⁾	6.3%	7.5%

(1) The weighted average annual interest cost is computed as the (a) annual stated interest rate on the debt plus the annual amortization of commitment fees and other facility fees that are recognized into interest expense over the contractual life of the respective borrowings, divided by (b) debt outstanding on the balance sheet date.

In addition to interest on indebtedness, interest expense includes interest on our obligations to replenish borrowed Treasury securities related to our hedging activities of \$1.9 million and \$1.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

Employee expenses include salaries and employee benefits. The change in employee expenses reflects the effect of wage increases, increased staffing, and the change in mix of employees given their area of responsibility and relevant experience level. Total employees were 159 and 117 at September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. During 2003, employee expenses included a retention award program whereby senior officers received cash awards as part of their compensation. The retention award component for the three months ended September 30, 2003, was \$2.1 million. Beginning January 1, 2004, we no longer provided retention awards.

In the first quarter of 2004, we established the Individual Performance Award (IPA) as a long-term incentive compensation program for our senior officers. In conjunction with the program, the Board has approved a non-qualified deferred compensation plan (DCP II), which is administered through a trust.

The IPA, which will generally be determined annually at the beginning of each year, is deposited in the trust in four equal installments, generally on a quarterly basis, in the form of cash. The Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors has designed the DCP II to then require the trustee to use the cash exclusively to purchase shares of our common stock in the open market.

Amounts credited to participants under the DCP II are immediately vested once deposited by us into the trust. A participant's account shall generally become distributable only after his or her termination of employment, or in the event of a change of control of the Company. The

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Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors may also determine other distributable events and the timing of such distributions.

For the three months ended September 30, 2004, we accrued \$3.2 million in IPA expense, or \$0.02 per share. We contributed these amounts into the DCP II trust during the quarter. Because the IPA is deferred compensation, the cost of this award is not a current expense for purposes of computing our taxable income. The expense is deferred for tax purposes until distributions are made from the trust. The accounts of the DCP II are consolidated with our accounts. Further, we are required to mark to market the liability to pay the employees in our stock and this adjustment is recorded to the IPA compensation expense. The effect of this adjustment for the three months ended September 30, 2004, was to reduce the individual performance award expense by \$0.1 million.

Administrative expenses include legal and accounting fees, valuation assistance fees, insurance premiums, the cost of leases for our headquarters in Washington, DC, and our regional offices, stock record expenses, directors' fees, and various other expenses. Administrative expenses were \$10.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2004, a \$4.3 million increase over administrative expenses of \$5.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2003.

A large component of the increase in expenses results from the costs of operating as a public company. Legal, accounting, valuation assistance, insurance, and directors' fees were \$2.1 million higher for the three months ended September 30, 2004, than for the same period in the prior year.

During the second quarter of 2004, we opened an office in Los Angeles, CA, and expanded our office space in New York, NY. Accordingly, occupancy costs and the costs associated with staffing these offices were \$0.5 million higher for the three months ended September 30, 2004, than for the same period in the prior year.

We have also incurred increased deal costs related to evaluating potential new investments. Costs related to mezzanine lending are generally paid by the borrower, however, costs related to buyout investments are generally funded by us. Accordingly, if a prospective deal does not close, we incur expenses that are not recoverable. As a result, these related costs were \$0.1 million higher for the three months ended September 30, 2004, than for the same period in the prior year. We have increased our focus on managing buyout-related costs, however we expect that there will be some increased costs from this activity going forward.

In addition, administrative expenses related to portfolio development and workout activities were \$1.1 million higher for the three months ended September 30, 2004, versus the prior year period. We expect the costs related to workouts to decline given the declining level of workout assets in the portfolio.

Realized Gains and Losses. Net realized gains result from the sale of equity securities associated with certain private finance investments, the sale of CMBS bonds, and the realization of unamortized discount resulting from the sale and early repayment of private finance loans and commercial mortgage loans, offset by losses on investments. Net realized gains for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, were as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2004	2003
(\$ in millions)		
Realized gains	\$ 37.6	\$ 3.5
Realized losses	(36.3)	(9.9)
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Net realized gains	\$ 1.3	\$(6.4)

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Realized gains and losses for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, resulted from various private finance and commercial real estate finance transactions.

Realized gains for the three months ended September 30, 2004, primarily resulted from transactions involving five private finance portfolio companies Professional Paint, Inc. (\$13.7 million), Impact Innovations Group, LLC (\$9.4 million), United Pet Group, Inc. (\$3.7 million), Housecall Medical Resources, Inc. (\$2.6 million) and Matrics, Inc. (\$2.1 million) and one transaction involving a commercial mortgage loan (\$1.8 million).

Realized gains for the three months ended September 30, 2003, primarily resulted from transactions involving five private finance portfolio companies, including Autania AG (\$0.9 million), Blue Rhino Corporation (\$0.9 million), Kyros Corporation (\$0.6 million), Oriental Trading Company, Inc. (\$0.3 million), and Icon International, Inc. (\$0.2 million), and one transaction involving a commercial mortgage loan totaling \$0.4 million.

For the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, we reversed previously recorded unrealized appreciation totaling \$20.6 million and \$2.0 million, respectively, when gains were realized. When we exit an investment and realize a gain, we make an accounting entry to reverse any unrealized appreciation we had previously recorded to reflect the appreciated value of the investment.

Realized losses for the three months ended September 30, 2004, primarily resulted from transactions involving two private finance portfolio companies The Color Factory, Inc. (\$24.5 million) and Prosperco Finanz Holding AG (\$7.5 million), and one transaction involving a commercial mortgage loan (\$1.0 million).

Realized losses for the three months ended September 30, 2003, primarily resulted from a private finance transaction involving Allied Office Products, Inc. totaling \$7.7 million and one transaction involving a commercial mortgage loan totaling \$1.5 million.

For the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, we reversed previously recorded unrealized depreciation totaling \$37.6 million and \$9.4 million, respectively, when losses were realized. When we exit an investment and realize a loss, we make an accounting entry to reverse any unrealized depreciation we had previously recorded to reflect the depreciated value of the investment.

Change in Unrealized Appreciation or Depreciation. We determine the value of each investment in our portfolio on a quarterly basis, and changes in value result in unrealized appreciation or depreciation being recognized in our statement of operations. Value, as defined in Section 2(a)(41) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, is (i) the market price for those securities for which a market quotation is readily available and (ii) for all other securities and assets, fair value is as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors. Since there is typically no readily available market value for the investments in our portfolio, we value substantially all of our portfolio investments at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors pursuant to a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process. At September 30, 2004, portfolio investments recorded at fair value were approximately 87% of our total assets. Because of the inherent uncertainty of determining the fair value of investments that do not have a readily available market value, the fair value of our investments determined in good faith by the Board of Directors may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for the investments, and the differences could be material.

There is no single standard for determining fair value in good faith. As a result, determining fair value requires that judgment be applied to the specific facts and circumstances of each portfolio investment while employing a consistently applied valuation process for the types of investments we make. Unlike banks, we are not permitted to provide a general reserve for anticipated loan losses. Instead, we are required to specifically value each individual investment on a quarterly basis. We will record unrealized depreciation on investments when we believe that an investment has become

impaired, including where collection of a loan or realization of an equity security is doubtful, or when the enterprise value of the portfolio company does not currently support the cost of our debt or equity investment. Enterprise value means the entire value of the company to a potential buyer, including the sum of the values of debt and equity securities used to capitalize the enterprise at a point in time. We will record unrealized appreciation if we believe that the underlying portfolio company has appreciated in value and, therefore, our equity security has also appreciated in value. Changes in fair value are recorded in the statement of operations as net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation.

As a business development company, we invest in illiquid securities including debt and equity securities of companies, non-investment grade CMBS bonds, and CDO bonds and preferred shares. The structure of each private finance debt and equity security is specifically negotiated to enable us to protect our investment and maximize our returns. We include many terms governing interest rate, repayment terms, prepayment penalties, financial covenants, operating covenants, ownership parameters, dilution parameters, liquidation preferences, voting rights, and put or call rights. Our investments are generally subject to restrictions on resale and generally have no established trading market. Because of the type of investments that we make and the nature of our business, our valuation process requires an analysis of various factors. Our fair value methodology includes the examination of, among other things, the underlying investment performance, financial condition, and market changing events that impact valuation.

Valuation Methodology - Private Finance Our process for determining the fair value of a private finance investment begins with determining the enterprise value of the portfolio company. The fair value of our investment is based on the enterprise value at which the portfolio company could be sold in an orderly disposition over a reasonable period of time between willing parties other than in a forced or liquidation sale. The liquidity event whereby we exit a private finance investment is generally the sale, the recapitalization or, in some cases, the initial public offering of the portfolio company.

There is no one methodology to determine enterprise value and, in fact, for any one portfolio company, enterprise value is best expressed as a range of fair values, from which we derive a single estimate of enterprise value. To determine the enterprise value of a portfolio company, we analyze its historical and projected financial results. We generally require portfolio companies to provide annual audited and quarterly unaudited financial statements, as well as annual projections for the upcoming fiscal year. Typically in the private equity business, companies are bought and sold based on multiples of EBITDA, cash flow, net income, revenues or, in limited instances, book value. The private equity industry uses financial measures such as EBITDA or EBITDAM (Earnings Before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation, Amortization and, in some instances, Management fees) in order to assess a portfolio company's financial performance and to value a portfolio company. EBITDA and EBITDAM are not intended to represent cash flow from operations as defined by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and such information should not be considered as an alternative to net income, cash flow from operations, or any other measure of performance prescribed by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. When using EBITDA to determine enterprise value, we may adjust EBITDA for non-recurring items. Such adjustments are intended to normalize EBITDA to reflect the portfolio company's earnings power. Adjustments to EBITDA may include compensation to previous owners, acquisition, recapitalization, or restructuring related items or one-time non-recurring income or expense items.

In determining a multiple to use for valuation purposes, we look to private merger and acquisition statistics, discounted public trading multiples or industry practices. In estimating a reasonable multiple, we consider not only the fact that our portfolio company may be a private company relative to a peer group of public comparables, but we also consider the size and scope of

our portfolio company and its specific strengths and weaknesses. In some cases, the best valuation methodology may be a discounted cash flow analysis based on future projections. If a portfolio company is distressed, a liquidation analysis may provide the best indication of enterprise value.

If there is adequate enterprise value to support the repayment of our debt, the fair value of our loan or debt security normally corresponds to cost unless the borrower's condition or other factors lead to a determination of fair value at a different amount. The fair value of equity interests in portfolio companies is determined based on various factors, including the enterprise value remaining for equity holders after the repayment of the portfolio company's debt and other preference capital, and other pertinent factors such as recent offers to purchase a portfolio company, recent transactions involving the purchase or sale of the portfolio company's equity securities, or other liquidation events. The determined equity values are generally discounted when we have a minority position, restrictions on resale, specific concerns about the receptivity of the capital markets to a specific company at a certain time, or other factors.

In connection with our valuation process to determine the fair value of a private finance investment, we may receive independent assessments of a particular private finance portfolio company's value in the ordinary course of business, most often in the context of a prospective sale transaction or in the context of the bankruptcy process, or we may work with independent third-party consultants to obtain assistance and advice as additional support in the preparation of our internal valuation analysis. The valuation analysis prepared by management using these independent valuation resources is submitted to our Board of Directors for its determination of fair value of the portfolio in good faith.

We received valuation assistance from S&P Corporate Value Consulting (S&P CVC) for the first, second and third quarters of 2004, including assistance with the valuation of Business Loan Express or BLX in the third quarter of 2004. On a year to date basis, S&P CVC has reviewed 83 investments. For portfolio company investments that were in our portfolio at December 31, 2003, and were still in the portfolio at September 30, 2004, S&P CVC has assisted us in valuing approximately 85% of the dollar value of those investments. In addition, S&P CVC has assisted us with the valuation of \$54 million in new 2004 portfolio company investments that have been added to the portfolio.

We also received valuation assistance from JMP Securities for our investment in BLX in the first, second and third quarters of 2004.

Valuation Methodology CMBS Bonds and CDO Bonds and Preferred Shares CMBS bonds and CDO bonds and preferred shares are carried at fair value, which is based on a discounted cash flow model that utilizes prepayment and loss assumptions based on historical experience and projected performance, economic factors, the characteristics of the underlying cash flow and comparable yields for similar CMBS bonds and CDO bonds and preferred shares. Our assumption with regard to discount rate is based on the yield of comparable securities. We recognize unrealized appreciation or depreciation on our CMBS bonds and CDO bonds and preferred shares as comparable yields in the market change and/or based on changes in estimated cash flows resulting from changes in prepayment or loss assumptions in the underlying collateral pool.

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For the total portfolio, net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, consisted of the following:

(\$ in millions)	2004 ⁽¹⁾	2003 ⁽¹⁾
Net unrealized appreciation or depreciation	\$ 15.0	\$(20.8)
Reversal of previously recorded unrealized appreciation associated with realized gains	(20.6)	(2.0)
Reversal of previously recorded unrealized depreciation associated with realized losses	37.6	9.4
	\$ 32.0	\$(13.4)

(1) The net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation can fluctuate significantly from period to period. As a result, quarterly comparisons may not be meaningful.

At September 30, 2004, our most significant portfolio investment was in BLX. The following is a simplified summary of the methodology that we used to determine the fair value of this investment.

Business Loan Express, LLC. To determine the value of our investment in BLX at September 30, 2004, we performed four separate valuation analyses to determine a range of values: (1) analysis of comparable public company trading multiples, (2) analysis of BLX's value assuming an initial public offering, (3) analysis of merger and acquisition transactions for financial services companies, and (4) a discounted dividend analysis. We performed the analyses with the assistance of JMP Securities. In addition, we received valuation assistance from S&P CVC for our investment in BLX at September 30, 2004.

With respect to the analysis of comparable public company trading multiples and the analysis of BLX's value assuming an initial public offering, we compute a median trailing and forward price earnings multiple to apply to BLX's pro-forma net income adjusted for certain capital structure changes that we believe would likely occur should the company be sold. Each quarter we evaluate which public commercial finance companies should be included in the comparable group. The comparable group at September 30, 2004, was made up of CapitalSource, Inc., CIT Group, Inc., Financial Federal Corporation, GATX Corporation, and Marlin Business Services Corporation, which is consistent with the comparable group at June 30, 2004.

Our investment in BLX at September 30, 2004, was valued at \$352.1 million. This fair value was within the range of values determined by the four valuation analyses. Unrealized appreciation on our investment was \$80.9 million at September 30, 2004. This is an increase of \$3.1 million from June 30, 2004.

OTHER MATTERS

Per Share Amounts. All per share amounts included in the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations section have been computed using the weighted average common shares used to compute diluted earnings per common share, which were 131.2 million and 120.9 million for the three months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

Regulated Investment Company Status. We have elected to be taxed as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. As long as we qualify as a regulated investment company, we are not taxed on our investment company taxable income or realized capital gains, to the extent that such taxable income or gains are distributed, or deemed to be distributed, as dividends to our shareholders on a timely basis. Annual tax distributions generally differ from net income for the fiscal year due to temporary and permanent differences in the

recognition of income and expenses, returns of capital and net unrealized appreciation or depreciation, which are not included in taxable income.

In order to maintain our status as a regulated investment company, we must, in general, (1) continue to qualify as a business development company; (2) derive at least 90% of our gross income from dividends, interest, gains from the sale of securities and other specified types of income; (3) meet investment diversification requirements as defined in the Internal Revenue Code; and (4) distribute annually to shareholders at least 90% of our investment company taxable income as defined in the Internal Revenue Code. We intend to take all steps necessary to continue to qualify as a regulated investment company. However, there can be no assurance that we will continue to qualify for such treatment in future years.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Comparison of Nine Months Ended September 30, 2004 and 2003

The following table summarizes our condensed operating results for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003.

(\$ in thousands, except per share amounts)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,		Change	Percentage Change
	2004	2003		
	(unaudited)			
Interest and Related Portfolio Income				
Interest and dividends	\$ 233,540	\$ 211,553	\$ 21,987	10%
Loan prepayment premiums	4,210	5,281	(1,071)	(20)%
Fees and other income	28,378	22,380	5,998	27%
Total interest and related portfolio income	266,128	239,214	26,914	11%
Expenses				
Interest	57,349	57,614	(265)	%
Employee	28,710	26,859	1,851	7%
Individual performance award	9,461		9,461	**
Administrative	25,072	15,395	9,677	63%
Total operating expenses	120,592	99,868	20,724	21%
Net investment income before income taxes	145,536	139,346	6,190	4%
Income tax benefit	(744)	(1,530)	786	**
Net investment income	146,280	140,876	5,404	4%
Net Realized and Unrealized Gains (Losses)				
Net realized gains (losses)	175,753	50,441	125,312	*
Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation	(120,384)	(77,760)	(42,624)	*
Total net gains (losses)	55,369	(27,319)	82,688	*
Net income	\$ 201,649	\$ 113,557	\$ 88,092	78%
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 1.53	\$ 0.98	\$ 0.55	56%
Weighted average common shares outstanding diluted	131,487	115,228	16,259	14%

* Net realized gains (losses) and net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation can fluctuate significantly from period to period. As a result, year-to-date comparisons of net gains and losses may not be meaningful.

** Percentage change is not meaningful.

Interest and Related Portfolio Income. Total interest and related portfolio income includes interest and dividend income, loan prepayment premiums, and fees and other income.

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Interest and dividend income for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, was composed of the following:

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
(\$ in millions)		
Interest	\$221.4	\$203.1
Dividends	12.2	8.5
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Total interest and dividends	\$233.6	\$211.6
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The level of interest income, which includes interest paid in cash and in kind, is directly related to the balance of the interest-bearing investment portfolio outstanding during the period multiplied by the weighted average yield. The weighted average yield varies from period to period based on the current stated interest rate earned on interest-bearing investments and the amount of loans and debt securities for which interest is not accruing. The interest-bearing investments in the portfolio at value and the weighted average yield on the interest-bearing investments in the portfolio at September 30, 2004 and 2003, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2004	2003
Interest-bearing portfolio	\$2,341.2	\$1,946.1
Portfolio yield	14.2%	14.5%

Dividend income results from the dividend yield on preferred equity interests, if any, or the declaration of dividends by a portfolio company on preferred or common equity interests. Dividend income will vary from period to period depending upon the level of yield on our preferred equity interests and the timing and amount of dividends that are declared by a portfolio company on preferred or common equity interests. Dividend income for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, includes \$8.3 million and \$3.0 million, respectively, of dividends from BLX on the Class B equity interests held by us. These dividends were paid in kind through the issuance of additional Class B equity interests.

Loan prepayment premiums were \$4.2 million and \$5.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. While the scheduled maturities of private finance and commercial real estate loans range from five to ten years, it is not unusual for our borrowers to refinance or pay off their debts to us ahead of schedule. Therefore, we generally structure our loans to require a prepayment premium for the first three to five years of the loan. Accordingly, the amount of prepayment premiums will vary depending on the level of repayments and the age of the loans at the time of repayment.

Fees and other income primarily include fees related to financial structuring, diligence, transaction services, management services to portfolio companies, guarantees, and other advisory services. As a business development company, we are required to make significant managerial assistance available to the companies in our investment portfolio. Managerial assistance includes management and consulting services including, but not limited to, corporate finance, information technology, marketing, human resources, personnel and board member recruiting, corporate governance, and risk management.

Fees and other income for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, included fees relating to the following:

(\$ in millions)	2004	2003
Structuring and diligence	\$ 11.5	\$ 4.1
Transaction and other services provided to portfolio companies	2.2	3.4
Management services provided to portfolio companies, other advisory services and guaranty fees	13.1	14.2
Other income	1.6	0.7
Total fees and other income	\$28.4	\$22.4

Fees and other income are generally related to specific transactions or services and therefore may vary substantially from period to period depending on the level and types of services provided. Loan

origination fees that represent yield enhancement on a loan are capitalized and amortized into interest income over the life of the loan. Fees and other income for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, include structuring fees from Advantage, Financial Pacific and Mercury totaling \$6.7 million.

BLX and Advantage were our most significant investments at September 30, 2004, and together represented 17.7% of our total assets. Total interest and related portfolio income earned from BLX and Advantage for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, was \$35.1 million and \$10.4 million, respectively. Total interest and related portfolio income for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, included \$2.5 million of income earned from Hillman prior to the sale of our investment on March 31, 2004 as discussed above.

BLX and Hillman were our most significant investments at September 30, 2003, and together represented 17.7% of our total assets. Total interest and related portfolio income earned from BLX and Hillman for the nine months ended September 30, 2003, was \$32.8 million and \$7.2 million, respectively.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses include interest, employee, and administrative expenses. Our single largest expense is interest on our indebtedness. The fluctuations in interest expense during the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, were primarily attributable to changes in the level of our borrowings under various notes payable and debentures and our revolving line of credit. Our borrowing activity and weighted average cost of debt, including fees and closing costs, at and for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	At and for the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2004	2003
Total Outstanding Debt	\$ 1,167.7	\$ 954.2
Average Outstanding Debt	\$ 973.5	\$ 939.9
Weighted Average Cost ⁽¹⁾	6.3%	7.5%

(1) The weighted average annual interest cost is computed as the (a) annual stated interest rate on the debt plus the annual amortization of commitment fees and other facility fees that are recognized into interest expense over the contractual life of the respective borrowings, divided by (b) debt outstanding on the balance sheet date.

In addition to interest on indebtedness, interest expense includes interest on our obligations to replenish borrowed Treasury securities related to our hedging activities of \$4.3 million and \$4.5 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

Employee expenses include salaries and employee benefits. The change in employee expenses reflects the effect of wage increases, increased staffing, and the change in mix of employees given their area of responsibility and relevant experience level. Total employees were 159 and 117 at September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. During 2003, employee expenses included a retention award program whereby senior officers received cash awards as part of their compensation. The retention award component for the nine months ended September 30, 2003, was \$6.4 million. Beginning January 1, 2004, we no longer provided retention awards.

In the first quarter of 2004, we established the Individual Performance Award (IPA) as a long-term incentive compensation program for our senior officers. In conjunction with the program, the Board has approved a non-qualified deferred compensation plan (DCP II), which is administered through a trust. See Operating Expenses included in the Comparison of Three Months Ended September 30, 2004 and 2003 for a description of the DCP II. For the nine months ended

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September 30, 2004, we accrued \$10.2 million in IPA expense, or \$0.08 per share. In addition, we are required to mark to market the liability to pay the employees in our stock and this adjustment is recorded to the IPA compensation expense. The effect of this adjustment for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, was to reduce the individual performance award expense by \$0.7 million.

Administrative expenses include legal and accounting fees, valuation assistance fees, insurance premiums, the cost of leases for our headquarters in Washington, DC, and our regional offices, stock record expenses, directors' fees, and various other expenses. Administrative expenses were \$25.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, a \$9.7 million increase over administrative expenses of \$15.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2003.

A large component of the increase in expenses results from the costs of operating as a public company. Legal, accounting, valuation assistance, insurance, and directors' fees were \$4.3 million higher for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, than for the same period in the prior year.

During the second quarter of 2004, we opened an office in Los Angeles, CA, and expanded our office space in New York, NY. We also expect to expand our Chicago office. Accordingly, occupancy costs and the costs associated with staffing these offices were \$1.6 million higher for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, than for the same period in the prior year.

We have also incurred increased deal costs related to evaluating potential new investments. Costs related to mezzanine lending are generally paid by the borrower, however, costs related to buyout investments are generally funded by us. Accordingly, if a prospective deal does not close, we incur expenses that are not recoverable. As a result, these related costs were \$1.1 million higher for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, than for the same period in the prior year. We have increased our focus on managing buyout-related costs, however we expect that there will be some increased costs from this activity going forward.

In addition, administrative expenses related to portfolio development and workouts were \$1.5 million higher for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, versus the prior year period. We expect the costs related to workouts to decline given the declining level of workout assets in the portfolio.

Realized Gains and Losses. Net realized gains result from the sale of equity securities associated with certain private finance investments, the sale of CMBS bonds, and the realization of unamortized discount resulting from the sale and early repayment of private finance loans and commercial mortgage loans, offset by losses on investments. Net realized gains for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, were as follows:

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2004	2003
(\$ in millions)		
Realized gains	\$241.6	\$ 64.7
Realized losses	(65.8)	(14.3)
	\$175.8	\$ 50.4
Net realized gains	\$175.8	\$ 50.4

Realized gains and losses for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, resulted from various private finance and commercial real estate finance transactions.

Realized gains for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, primarily resulted from transactions involving 11 private finance portfolio companies: The Hillman Companies, Inc. (\$150.2 million), CorrFlex Graphics, LLC (\$25.6 million), Professional Paint, Inc. (\$13.7 million),

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Impact Innovations Group, LLC (\$9.4 million), The Hartz Mountain Corporation (\$8.2 million), Housecall Medical Resources, Inc. (\$7.2 million), International Fiber Corporation (\$5.2 million), CBA-Mezzanine Capital Finance, LLC (\$3.9 million), United Pet Group, Inc. (\$3.7 million), Matrics, Inc. (\$2.1 million), and SmartMail, LLC (\$2.1 million) and one transaction involving a commercial mortgage loan (\$1.8 million).

Realized gains for the nine months ended September 30, 2003, primarily resulted from transactions involving seven private finance portfolio companies, including Morton Grove Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (\$8.5 million), CyberRep (\$8.3 million), Woodstream Corporation (\$6.6 million), Blue Rhino Corporation (\$4.7 million), Kirkland's Inc. (\$3.0 million), GC-Sun Holdings II, LP (\$2.5 million), and Interline Brands, Inc. (\$1.7 million). In addition, gains were also realized on CMBS bonds (\$24.6 million, net of a realized loss of \$6.7 million from hedges related to the CMBS bonds sold).

For the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, we reversed previously recorded unrealized appreciation totaling \$189.0 million and \$52.8 million, respectively, when gains were realized. When we exit an investment and realize a gain, we make an accounting entry to reverse any unrealized appreciation we had previously recorded to reflect the appreciated value of the investment.

Realized losses for the nine months ended September 30, 2004, primarily resulted from transactions involving six private finance portfolio companies: The Color Factory, Inc. (\$24.5 million), Executive Greetings, Inc. (\$19.3 million), Prosperco Finanz Holding AG (\$7.5 million), Logic Bay Corporation (\$5.0 million), Sure-Tel, Inc. (\$2.3 million), and Startec Global Communications Corporation (\$1.1 million), and two transactions involving commercial mortgage loans (\$2.0 million).

Realized losses for the nine months ended September 30, 2003, primarily resulted from transactions involving two private finance portfolio companies, including Allied Office Products, Inc. (\$7.7 million) and North American Archery, LLC (\$2.1 million), and five transactions involving commercial mortgage loans (\$4.0 million).

For the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, we reversed previously recorded unrealized depreciation totaling \$67.2 million and \$14.3 million, respectively, when losses were realized. When we exit an investment and realize a loss, we make an accounting entry to reverse any unrealized depreciation we had previously recorded to reflect the depreciated value of the investment.

Change in Unrealized Appreciation or Depreciation. For a discussion of our fair value methodology, see "Change in Unrealized Appreciation or Depreciation" included in the "Comparison of Three Months Ended September 30, 2004 and 2003."

For the portfolio, net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, consisted of the following:

(\$ in millions)	2004 ⁽¹⁾	2003 ⁽¹⁾
Net unrealized appreciation or depreciation	\$ 1.4	\$(39.3)
Reversal of previously recorded unrealized appreciation associated with realized gains	(189.0)	(52.8)
Reversal of previously recorded unrealized depreciation associated with realized losses	67.2	14.3
	\$ (120.4)	\$ (77.8)
Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation	\$ (120.4)	\$ (77.8)

(1) The net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation can fluctuate significantly from period to period. As a result year-to-date comparisons may not be meaningful.

Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 included a net decrease in unrealized appreciation of \$6.2 million on our investment in BLX.

Per Share Amounts. All per share amounts included in the Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations section have been computed using the weighted average common shares used to compute diluted earnings per common share, which were 131.5 million and 115.2 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively.

FINANCIAL CONDITION, LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES**Cash Flow From Operating Activities**

Our portfolio has historically generated significant cash flow from which we pay dividends to shareholders and fund new investment activity. Cash generated from the portfolio includes cash flow from net investment income and net realized gains and principal collections related to investment repayments or sales. Cash flow provided by our operating activities before new investment activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, was as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2004	2003
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ (189.1)	\$ (5.8)
Add: portfolio investments funded	1,056.2	664.8
Total cash provided by operating activities before new investments	\$ 867.1	\$ 659.0

Because of the significant amount of cash provided by operating activities before new investments, we generate sufficient cash flow to fund our operating activities as well as pay dividends to shareholders.

Dividends to common shareholders for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, were \$220.8 million and \$196.2 million, respectively, or \$1.71 per common share for both periods. An extra cash dividend of \$0.03 per common share was declared during 2002 and was paid to shareholders on January 9, 2003. For the fourth quarter of 2004, the Board of Directors has declared a dividend of \$0.57 per common share payable on December 30, 2004.

Dividends are generally determined based upon an estimate of annual taxable income, which includes our taxable interest, dividend and fee income, as well as taxable net capital gains. Taxable income generally differs from net income for financial reporting purposes due to temporary and permanent differences in the recognition of income and expenses and excludes net unrealized appreciation or depreciation, as gains or losses are not included in taxable income until they are realized. Taxable income includes non-cash income, such as changes in accrued and reinvested interest and dividends and the amortization of discounts and fees. Non-cash taxable income is reduced by non-cash expenses, such as realized losses and depreciation and amortization expense.

Our Board of Directors evaluates whether to retain or distribute taxable net capital gains on an annual basis. Our dividend policy allows us to continue to distribute capital gains, but will also allow us to retain gains to support future growth. Our Board of Directors reviews the dividend rate quarterly, and may adjust the quarterly dividend throughout the year.

At September 30, 2004, we had outstanding commitments to fund investments totaling \$399.4 million. We intend to fund these commitments and prospective investment opportunities with existing cash, through cash flow from operations before new investments, through borrowings under our line of credit or other long-term debt agreements, or through the sale or issuance of new equity capital.

Debt and Equity Capital

Because we are a regulated investment company, we distribute our taxable income and, therefore, require external capital for asset growth. As a result, from time to time we will raise growth capital in the form of new debt or equity capital.

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At September 30, 2004, and December 31, 2003, our total assets, total debt outstanding, total shareholders equity, debt to equity ratio and asset coverage for senior indebtedness were as follows:

(\$ in millions)	2004	2003
Total assets	\$3,438.5	\$3,019.9
Total debt outstanding	\$1,167.7	\$ 954.2
Total shareholders equity	\$1,935.7	\$1,914.6
Debt to equity ratio	0.60	0.50
Asset coverage ratio ⁽¹⁾	278%	322%

(1) As a business development company, we are generally required to maintain a minimum ratio of 200% of total assets to total borrowings.

We currently target a debt to equity ratio ranging between 0.50:1.00 to 0.65:1.00, and are currently in the middle of the target debt to equity ratio range. We did not sell equity during the nine months ended September 30, 2004. For the nine months ended September 30, 2003, and the year ended December 31, 2003, we sold equity of \$298.2 million and \$422.9 million, respectively. In addition, shareholders equity increased by \$47.1 million, \$13.8 million and \$21.2 million through the exercise of employee options, the collection of notes receivable from the sale of common stock, and the issuance of shares through our dividend reinvestment plan for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 and 2003, and the year ended December 31, 2003, respectively.

We employ an asset-liability management strategy that focuses on matching the estimated maturities of our loan and investment portfolio to the estimated maturities of our borrowings. We use our revolving line of credit facility as a means to bridge to long-term financing in the form of debt or equity capital, which may or may not result in temporary differences in the matching of estimated maturities. Availability on the revolving line of credit, net of amounts committed for standby letters of credit issued under the line of credit facility, was \$180.0 million on September 30, 2004. We evaluate our interest rate exposure on an ongoing basis. Generally, we seek to fund our primarily fixed-rate investment portfolio with fixed-rate debt or equity capital. To the extent deemed necessary, we may hedge variable and short-term interest rate exposure through interest rate swaps or other techniques.

On October 5, 2004, we sold 3.0 million shares of our common stock for proceeds of \$70.8 million, net of underwriting discounts and estimated offering expenses. In addition, on October 26, 2004, we sold BBB- through B+ rated CMBS and CDO bonds for cash proceeds of approximately \$291 million. We used the net proceeds of the equity offering and bond sale to reduce borrowings under our revolving line of credit, and expect to use net proceeds in excess of borrowings under our revolving line of credit for investment in the debt or equity securities of middle market companies, non-investment grade CMBS bonds or CDO preferred shares and other general corporate purposes. Availability on the revolving line of credit, net of amounts committed for standby letters of credit issued under the line of credit facility, was \$507.7 million on October 29, 2004.

We are currently in the process of raising long-term unsecured five- and seven-year debt of approximately \$325.0 million. The new notes have been priced at a blended fixed interest rate of 5.6% and will have substantially the same terms as our existing unsecured notes. A portion of this new debt will refinance maturing long-term debt of \$102.0 million with an interest cost of 8.5%. This debt issuance is expected to close during the fourth quarter of 2004, subject to final documentation.

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At September 30, 2004, we had outstanding debt as follows:

(\$ in millions)	Facility Amount	Amount Outstanding	Annual Interest Cost ⁽¹⁾
Notes payable and debentures:			
Unsecured notes payable	\$ 757.3	\$ 757.3	7.1%
SBA debentures	84.8	77.5	8.2%
OPIC loan	5.7	5.7	6.6%
Total notes payable and debentures	847.8	840.5	7.2%
Revolving line of credit	552.5	327.2	3.9%(2)
Total debt	\$ 1,400.3	\$ 1,167.7	6.3%(2)

- (1) The weighted average annual interest cost is computed as the (a) annual stated interest rate on the debt plus the annual amortization of commitment fees and other facility fees that are recognized into interest expense over the contractual life of the respective borrowings, divided by (b) debt outstanding on the balance sheet date.
- (2) The current interest rate payable on the revolving line of credit was 3.2% at September 30, 2004, which excluded the annual cost of commitment fees and other facility fees of \$2.2 million. The annual interest cost for total debt includes the annual cost of commitment fees and other facility fees on the revolving line of credit regardless of the amount drawn on the facility as of the balance sheet date.

Unsecured Notes Payable. We have issued long-term debt to institutional lenders, primarily insurance companies. The notes have five- or seven-year maturities, with maturity dates beginning in 2004 and generally have fixed rates of interest. The notes generally require payment of interest only semi-annually, and all principal is due upon maturity.

On March 25, 2004, we issued five-year unsecured long-term notes denominated in Euros and Sterling for a total U.S. dollar equivalent of \$15.2 million. The notes have fixed interest rates and have substantially the same terms as our existing unsecured notes. Simultaneous with issuing the notes, we entered into a cross-currency swap with a financial institution which fixed our interest and principal payments in U.S. dollars for the life of the debt.

On April 30, 2004, we repaid \$112.0 million of unsecured notes payable that matured on May 1, 2004.

Small Business Administration Debentures. We, through our small business investment company subsidiary, have debentures payable to the Small Business Administration with contractual maturities of ten years. The notes require payment of interest only semi-annually, and all principal is due upon maturity. During the first and third quarters of 2004, we repaid \$7.0 million and \$10.0 million, respectively, of this outstanding debt. Under the small business investment company program, we may borrow up to \$116.0 million from the Small Business Administration. At September 30, 2004, we had a commitment from the Small Business Administration to borrow up to an additional \$7.3 million above the current amount outstanding. The commitment expires on September 30, 2005.

Revolving Line of Credit. We have an unsecured revolving line of credit with a committed amount of \$552.5 million. The line of credit may be expanded through new or additional commitments up to \$600.0 million at our option. The revolving line of credit expires in April 2005, with the right to extend the maturity for one additional year at our option under substantially similar terms. The credit facility generally bears interest at a rate, at our option, equal to (i) the one month LIBOR plus 1.50%, (ii) the Bank of America, N.A. cost of funds plus 1.50% or (iii) the higher of the Bank of America, N.A. prime rate or the Federal Funds rate plus 0.50%. The line of credit generally requires monthly payments of interest, and all principal is due upon maturity.

Outstanding borrowings on the unsecured revolving line of credit at September 30, 2004, were \$327.2 million. The amount available under the line at September 30, 2004, was \$180.0 million, net of amounts committed for standby letters of credit of \$45.3 million.

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We have various financial and operating covenants required by the revolving line of credit and notes payable and debentures. These covenants require us to maintain certain financial ratios, including debt to equity and interest coverage, and a minimum net worth. Our credit facilities limit our ability to declare dividends if we default under certain provisions. As of September 30, 2004, we were in compliance with these covenants.

The following table shows our significant contractual obligations for the repayment of debt and payment of other contractual obligations as of September 30, 2004.

(\$ in millions)	Payments Due By Year						
	Total	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	After 2008
Notes payable and debentures:							
Unsecured notes payable	\$ 757.3	\$ 102.0	\$ 165.0	\$ 175.0	\$	\$ 153.0	\$ 162.3
SBA debentures	77.5		4.0				73.5
OPIC loan	5.7			5.7			
Revolving line of credit ⁽¹⁾	327.2			327.2			
Operating leases	34.7	1.1	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.4	15.7
Total contractual obligations	\$ 1,202.4	\$ 103.1	\$ 173.6	\$ 512.4	\$ 4.4	\$ 157.4	\$ 251.5

(1) The revolving line of credit expires in April 2005 and may be extended under substantially similar terms for one additional year at our option. We assume that we would exercise our option to extend the revolving line of credit resulting in an assumed maturity of April 2006. At September 30, 2004, \$180.0 million remains unused and available, net of amounts committed for standby letters of credit of \$45.3 million issued under the credit facility.

The following table shows our contractual commitments that may have the effect of creating, increasing, or accelerating our liabilities as of September 30, 2004.

(\$ in millions)	Amount of Commitment Expiration Per Year						
	Total	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	After 2008
Guarantees	\$ 107.4	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.6	\$ 1.1	\$ 101.8	\$	\$ 3.6
Standby letters of credit ⁽¹⁾	45.3		1.2	44.1			
Total commitments	\$ 152.7	\$ 0.3	\$ 1.8	\$ 45.2	\$ 101.8	\$	\$ 3.6

(1) Standby letters of credit are issued under our revolving line of credit that expires in April 2005 and may be extended under substantially similar terms for one additional year at our option, for an assumed maturity of April 2006. Therefore, unless a standby letter of credit is set to expire at an earlier date, we have assumed that the standby letters of credit will expire contemporaneously with the expiration of our line of credit in April 2006.

In addition, we had outstanding commitments to fund investments totaling \$399.4 million at September 30, 2004, as discussed above.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The consolidated financial statements are based on the selection and application of critical accounting policies, which require management to make significant estimates and assumptions. Critical accounting policies are those that are both important to the presentation of our financial condition and results of operations and require management's most difficult, complex, or subjective judgments. Our critical accounting policies are those applicable to the valuation of investments and certain revenue recognition matters as discussed below.

Valuation of Portfolio Investments. As a business development company, we invest in illiquid securities including debt and equity securities of companies, non-investment grade CMBS, and the bonds and preferred shares of CDOs. Our investments are generally subject to restrictions on resale and generally have no established trading market. We value substantially all of our investments at fair value as determined in good faith by the Board of Directors in accordance with our valuation policy. We determine fair value to be the amount for which an investment could be exchanged in an orderly

disposition over a reasonable period of time between willing parties other than in a forced or liquidation sale. Our valuation policy considers the fact that no ready market exists for substantially all of the securities in which we invest. Our valuation policy is intended to provide a consistent basis for determining the fair value of the portfolio. We will record unrealized depreciation on investments when we believe that an investment has become impaired, including where collection of a loan or realization of an equity security is doubtful, or when the enterprise value of the portfolio company does not currently support the cost of our debt or equity investments. Enterprise value means the entire value of the company to a potential buyer, including the sum of the values of debt and equity securities used to capitalize the enterprise at a point in time. We will record unrealized appreciation if we believe that the underlying portfolio company has appreciated in value and, therefore, our equity security has also appreciated in value. The value of investments in publicly traded securities is determined using quoted market prices discounted for restrictions on resale, if any.

Loans and Debt Securities. For loans and debt securities, fair value generally approximates cost unless the borrower's enterprise value, overall financial condition or other factors lead to a determination of fair value at a different amount.

When we receive nominal cost warrants or free equity securities (nominal cost equity), we allocate our cost basis in our investment between debt securities and nominal cost equity at the time of origination. At that time, the original issue discount basis of the nominal cost equity is recorded by increasing the cost basis in the equity and decreasing the cost basis in the related debt securities.

Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis to the extent that such amounts are expected to be collected. For loans and debt securities with contractual payment-in-kind interest, which represents contractual interest accrued and added to the loan balance that generally becomes due at maturity, we will not accrue payment-in-kind interest if the portfolio company valuation indicates that the payment-in-kind interest is not collectible. Interest on loans and debt securities is not accrued if we have doubt about interest collection. Loans in workout status that are classified as Grade 4 or 5 assets under our internal grading system do not accrue interest. In addition, interest may not accrue on loans or debt securities to portfolio companies that are more than 50% owned by us depending on such company's capital requirements. Loan origination fees, original issue discount, and market discount are capitalized and then amortized into interest income using the effective interest method. Upon the prepayment of a loan or debt security, any unamortized loan origination fees are recorded as interest income and any unamortized original issue discount or market discount is recorded as a realized gain. Prepayment premiums are recorded on loans and debt securities when received.

Equity Securities. Our equity interests in portfolio companies for which there is no liquid public market are valued at fair value based on the enterprise value of the portfolio company, which is determined using various factors, including cash flow from operations of the portfolio company and other pertinent factors, such as recent offers to purchase a portfolio company, recent transactions involving the purchase or sale of the portfolio company's equity securities, or other liquidation events. The determined equity values are generally discounted to account for restrictions on resale and minority ownership positions.

The value of our equity interests in public companies for which market quotations are readily available is based on the closing public market price on the balance sheet date. Securities that carry certain restrictions on sale are typically valued at a discount from the public market value of the security.

Dividend income is recorded on preferred equity securities on an accrual basis to the extent that such amounts are expected to be collected, and on common equity securities on the record date for private companies or on the ex-dividend date for publicly traded companies.

Commercial Mortgage-Backed Securities (CMBS) and Collateralized Debt Obligations (CDO). CMBS bonds and CDO bonds and preferred shares are carried at fair value, which is based on a

discounted cash flow model that utilizes prepayment and loss assumptions based on historical experience and projected performance, economic factors, the characteristics of the underlying cash flow, and comparable yields for similar CMBS bonds and CDO bonds and preferred shares. We recognize unrealized appreciation or depreciation on our CMBS bonds and CDO bonds and preferred shares as comparable yields in the market change and/or based on changes in estimated cash flows resulting from changes in prepayment or loss assumptions in the underlying collateral pool.

We recognize income from the amortization of original issue discount using the effective interest method, using the anticipated yield over the projected life of the investment. Yields are revised when there are changes in actual and estimated prepayment speeds or actual and estimated credit losses. Changes in estimated yield are recognized as an adjustment to the estimated yield over the remaining life of the CMBS bonds and CDO bonds and preferred shares from the date the estimated yield is changed.

Net Realized Gains or Losses and Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation or Depreciation. Realized gains or losses are measured by the difference between the net proceeds from the repayment or sale and the cost basis of the investment without regard to unrealized appreciation or depreciation previously recognized, and include investments charged off during the year, net of recoveries. Net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation reflects the change in portfolio investment values during the reporting period, including the reversal of previously recorded unrealized appreciation or depreciation when gains or losses are realized.

Fee Income. Fee income includes fees for guarantees and services rendered by us to portfolio companies and other third parties such as diligence, structuring, transaction services, management services, and other advisory services. Guaranty fees are recognized as income over the related period of the guaranty. Diligence, structuring, and transaction services fees are generally recognized as income when services are rendered or when the related transactions are completed. Management and other advisory services fees are generally recognized as income as the services are rendered.

RISK FACTORS

Investing in Allied Capital involves a number of significant risks relating to our business and investment objective. As a result, there can be no assurance that we will achieve our investment objective.

Our portfolio of investments is illiquid. We generally acquire our investments directly from the issuer in privately negotiated transactions. The majority of the investments in our portfolio are typically subject to restrictions on resale or otherwise have no established trading market. We typically exit our investments when the portfolio company has a liquidity event such as a sale, recapitalization, or initial public offering of the company. The illiquidity of our investments may adversely affect our ability to dispose of debt and equity securities at times when it may be otherwise advantageous for us to liquidate such investments. In addition, if we were forced to immediately liquidate some or all of the investments in the portfolio, the proceeds of such liquidation would be significantly less than the current value of such investments.

Investing in private companies involves a high degree of risk. Our portfolio consists of primarily long-term loans to and investments in private companies. Investments in private businesses involve a high degree of business and financial risk, which can result in substantial losses and accordingly should be considered speculative. There is generally no publicly available information about the companies in which we invest, and we rely significantly on the diligence of our employees and agents to obtain information in connection with our investment decisions. In addition, some smaller businesses have narrower product lines and market shares than their competition and may be more vulnerable to customer preferences, market conditions, loss of key personnel, or economic downturns, which may adversely affect the return on, or the recovery of, our investment in such businesses.

Substantially all of our portfolio investments are recorded at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board of Directors and, as a result, there is uncertainty regarding the value of our portfolio investments. At September 30, 2004, portfolio investments recorded at fair value were approximately 87% of our total assets. Pursuant to the requirements of the 1940 Act, we value substantially all of our investments at fair value as determined in good faith by our Board of Directors on a quarterly basis. Since there is typically no readily available market value for the investments in our portfolio, our Board of Directors determines in good faith the fair value of these investments pursuant to a valuation policy and a consistently applied valuation process.

There is no single standard for determining fair value in good faith. As a result, determining fair value requires that judgment be applied to the specific facts and circumstances of each portfolio investment while employing a consistently applied valuation process for the types of investments we make. Unlike banks, we are not permitted to provide a general reserve for anticipated loan losses; we are instead required by the 1940 Act to specifically value each individual investment on a quarterly basis and record unrealized depreciation for an investment that we believe has become impaired, including where collection of a loan or realization of an equity security is doubtful, or when the enterprise value of the portfolio company does not currently support the cost of our debt or equity investment. Enterprise value means the entire value of the company to a potential buyer, including the sum of the values of debt and equity securities used to capitalize the enterprise at a point in time. We will record unrealized appreciation if we believe that the underlying portfolio company has appreciated in value and, therefore, our equity security has also appreciated in value. Without a readily available market value and because of the inherent uncertainty of valuation, the fair value of our investments determined in good faith by the Board of Directors may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for the investments, and the differences could be material.

We adjust quarterly the valuation of our portfolio to reflect the Board of Directors' determination of the fair value of each investment in our portfolio. Any changes in fair value are recorded in our statement of operations as net change in unrealized appreciation or depreciation.

Economic recessions or downturns could impair our portfolio companies and harm our operating results. Many of the companies in which we have made or will make investments may be susceptible to economic slowdowns or recessions. An economic slowdown may affect the ability of a company to engage in a liquidity event such as a sale, recapitalization, or initial public offering. Our nonperforming assets are likely to increase and the value of our portfolio is likely to decrease during these periods. These conditions could lead to financial losses in our portfolio and a decrease in our revenues, net income, and assets.

Our business of making private equity investments and positioning them for liquidity events also may be affected by current and future market conditions. The absence of an active senior lending environment may slow the amount of private equity investment activity generally. As a result, the pace of our investment activity may slow. In addition, significant changes in the capital markets could have an effect on the valuations of private companies and on the potential for liquidity events involving such companies. This could affect the amount and timing of gains realized on our investments.

Our borrowers may default on their payments, which may have an effect on our financial performance. We make long-term unsecured, subordinated loans and invest in equity securities, which may involve a higher degree of repayment risk. We primarily invest in companies that may have limited financial resources and that may be unable to obtain financing from traditional sources. Numerous factors may affect a borrower's ability to repay its loan, including the failure to meet its business plan, a downturn in its industry, or negative economic conditions. Deterioration in a borrower's financial condition and prospects may be accompanied by deterioration in any related collateral.

Our private finance investments may not produce current returns or capital gains. Private finance investments are typically structured as debt securities with a relatively high fixed rate of interest and with equity features such as conversion rights, warrants, or options. As a result, private finance investments are generally structured to generate interest income from the time they are made and may also produce a realized gain from an accompanying equity feature. We cannot be sure that our portfolio will generate a current return or capital gains.

Our financial results could be negatively affected if Business Loan Express fails to perform as expected. Business Loan Express, LLC (BLX) is our largest portfolio investment. Our financial results could be negatively affected if BLX, as a portfolio company, fails to perform as expected or if government funding for, or regulations related to the Small Business Administration 7(a) Guaranteed Loan Program change. At September 30, 2004, the investment totaled \$352.1 million at value, or 10.2% of total assets.

In addition, as controlling equity owner of BLX, we have provided an unconditional guaranty to BLX's senior credit facility lenders in an amount equal to 50% of BLX's total obligations on its \$275.0 million revolving credit facility. The amount we have guaranteed at September 30, 2004, was \$101.6 million. This guaranty can only be called in the event of a default by BLX. At September 30, 2004, we had also provided four standby letters of credit totaling \$35.6 million in connection with four term securitization transactions completed by BLX.

Our financial results could be negatively affected if a significant portfolio investment fails to perform as expected. We purchase controlling equity positions in companies and our total debt and equity investment in controlled companies may be significant individually or in the aggregate.

Investments in controlled portfolio companies are generally larger and in fewer companies than our investments in companies that we do not control. As a result, if a significant investment in one or more controlled companies fails to perform as expected, our financial results could be more negatively affected and the magnitude of the loss could be more significant than if we had made smaller investments in more companies.

Investments in non-investment grade commercial mortgage-backed securities and collateralized debt obligations may be illiquid, may have a higher risk of default, and may not produce current returns. The commercial mortgage-backed securities and collateralized debt obligation bonds and preferred shares in which we invest are not investment grade, which means that nationally recognized statistical rating organizations rate them below the top four investment-grade rating categories (i.e., AAA through BBB), and are sometimes referred to as junk bonds. Non-investment grade commercial mortgage-backed securities and collateralized debt obligation bonds and preferred shares tend to be less liquid, may have a higher risk of default and may be more difficult to value. Non-investment grade securities usually provide a higher yield than do investment grade securities, but with the higher return comes greater risk of default. In addition, the fair value of these securities may change as interest rates change over time. Economic recessions or downturns may cause defaults or losses on collateral securing these securities to increase. Non-investment grade securities are considered speculative, and their capacity to pay principal and interest in accordance with the terms of their issue is not ensured.

We may not borrow money unless we maintain asset coverage for indebtedness of at least 200%, which may affect returns to shareholders. We must maintain asset coverage for total borrowings of at least 200%. Our ability to achieve our investment objective may depend in part on our continued ability to maintain a leveraged capital structure by borrowing from banks, insurance companies or other lenders on favorable terms. There can be no assurance that we will be able to maintain such leverage. If asset coverage declines to less than 200%, we may be required to sell a portion of our investments when it is disadvantageous to do so. As of September 30, 2004, our asset coverage for senior indebtedness was 278%.

We borrow money, which magnifies the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested and may increase the risk of investing in us. Borrowings, also known as leverage, magnify the potential for gain or loss on amounts invested and, therefore, increase the risks associated with investing in our securities. We borrow from and issue senior debt securities to banks, insurance companies, and other lenders. Lenders of these senior securities have fixed dollar claims on our consolidated assets that are superior to the claims of our common shareholders. If the value of our consolidated assets increases, then leveraging would cause the net asset value attributable to our common stock to increase more sharply than it would have had we not leveraged. Conversely, if the value of our consolidated assets decreases, leveraging would cause net asset value to decline more sharply than it otherwise would have had we not leveraged. Similarly, any increase in our consolidated income in excess of consolidated interest payable on the borrowed funds would cause our net income to increase more than it would without the leverage, while any decrease in our consolidated income would cause net income to decline more sharply than it would have had we not borrowed. Such a decline could negatively affect our ability to make common stock dividend payments. Leverage is generally considered a speculative investment technique.

At September 30, 2004, we had \$1,167.7 million of outstanding indebtedness bearing a weighted average annual interest cost of 6.3%. In order for us to cover these annual interest payments on indebtedness, we must achieve annual returns on our assets of at least 2.1%.

Changes in interest rates may affect our cost of capital and net investment income. Because we borrow money to make investments, our net investment income is dependent upon the difference

between the rate at which we borrow funds and the rate at which we invest these funds. As a result, there can be no assurance that a significant change in market interest rates will not have a material adverse effect on our net investment income. In periods of rising interest rates, our cost of funds would increase, which would reduce our net investment income. We use a combination of long-term and short-term borrowings and equity capital to finance our investing activities. We utilize our revolving line of credit as a means to bridge to long-term financing. Our long-term fixed-rate investments are financed primarily with long-term fixed-rate debt and equity. We may use interest rate risk management techniques in an effort to limit our exposure to interest rate fluctuations. Such techniques may include various interest rate hedging activities to the extent permitted by the 1940 Act. We have analyzed the potential impact of changes in interest rates on interest income net of interest expense. Assuming that the balance sheet were to remain constant and no actions were taken to alter the existing interest rate sensitivity, a hypothetical immediate 1% change in interest rates would have affected the net income by less than 1% over a one year horizon. Although management believes that this measure is indicative of our sensitivity to interest rate changes, it does not adjust for potential changes in credit quality, size and composition of the assets on the balance sheet and other business developments that could affect net increase in net assets resulting from operations, or net income. Accordingly, no assurances can be given that actual results would not differ materially from the potential outcome simulated by this estimate.

We will continue to need additional capital to grow because we must distribute our income. We will continue to need capital to fund growth in our investments. Historically, we have borrowed from financial institutions and have issued equity securities. A reduction in the availability of new capital could limit our ability to grow. We must distribute at least 90% of our taxable ordinary income, which excludes realized net long-term capital gains, to our shareholders to maintain our regulated investment company status. As a result, such earnings will not be available to fund investment originations. We expect to continue to borrow from financial institutions and issue additional debt and equity securities. If we fail to obtain funds from such sources or from other sources to fund our investments, it could limit our ability to grow, which could have a material adverse effect on the value of our common stock. In addition, as a business development company, we are generally required to maintain a ratio of at least 200% of total assets to total borrowings, which may restrict our ability to borrow in certain circumstances.

Loss of regulated investment company tax treatment would substantially reduce net assets and income available for dividends. We have operated so as to qualify as a regulated investment company under Subchapter M of the Code. If we meet source of income, asset diversification, and distribution requirements, we will not be subject to corporate level income taxation on income we timely distribute to our stockholders as dividends. We would cease to qualify for such tax treatment if we were unable to comply with these requirements. In addition, we may have difficulty meeting the requirement to make distributions to our shareholders because in certain cases we may recognize income before or without receiving cash representing such income. If we fail to qualify as a regulated investment company, we will have to pay corporate-level taxes on all of our income whether or not we distribute it, which would substantially reduce the amount of income available for distribution to our stockholders. Even if we qualify as a regulated investment company, we generally will be subject to a corporate-level income tax on the income we do not distribute. Moreover, if we do not distribute at least 98% of our taxable income, we generally will be subject to a 4% excise tax.

There is a risk that you may not receive dividends or distributions. We intend to make distributions on a quarterly basis to our stockholders. We may not be able to achieve operating results that will allow us to make distributions at a specific level or to increase the amount of these distributions from time to time. In addition, due to the asset coverage test applicable to us as a business development company, we may be limited in our ability to make distributions. Also, our

credit facilities limit our ability to declare dividends if we default under certain provisions. If we do not distribute a certain percentage of our income annually, we will suffer adverse tax consequences, including possible loss of our status as a regulated investment company. In addition, in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and tax regulations, we include in income certain amounts that we have not yet received in cash, such as contractual payment-in-kind interest which represents contractual interest added to the loan balance that becomes due at the end of the loan term. The increases in loan balances as a result of contractual payment-in-kind arrangements are included in income in advance of receiving cash payment and are separately included in the change in accrued or reinvested interest and dividends in our consolidated statement of cash flows. Since we may recognize income before or without receiving cash representing such income, we may have difficulty meeting the requirement to distribute at least 90% of our investment company taxable income to maintain our status as a regulated investment company.

We operate in a competitive market for investment opportunities. We compete for investments with a large number of private equity funds and mezzanine funds, investment banks and other equity and non-equity based investment funds, and other sources of financing, including traditional financial services companies such as commercial banks. Some of our competitors have greater resources than we do. Increased competition would make it more difficult for us to purchase or originate investments at attractive prices. As a result of this competition, sometimes we may be precluded from making otherwise attractive investments.

We depend on key personnel. We depend on the continued services of our executive officers and other key management personnel. If we were to lose any of these officers or other management personnel, such a loss could result in inefficiencies in our operations and lost business opportunities.

Changes in the law or regulations that govern us could have a material impact on us or our operations. We are regulated by the SEC and the Small Business Administration. In addition, changes in the laws or regulations that govern business development companies, regulated investment companies, real estate investment trusts, and small business investment companies may significantly affect our business. Any change in the law or regulations that govern our business could have a material impact on us or our operations. Laws and regulations may be changed from time to time, and the interpretations of the relevant laws and regulations also are subject to change.

Our ability to invest in private companies may be limited in certain circumstances. If we are to maintain our status as a business development company, we must not acquire any assets other than qualifying assets unless, at the time of and after giving effect to such acquisition, at least 70% of our total assets are qualifying assets. If we acquire debt or equity securities from an issuer that has outstanding marginable securities at the time we make an investment, these acquired assets cannot be treated as qualifying assets. This result is dictated by the definition of eligible portfolio company under the 1940 Act, which in part looks to whether a company has outstanding marginable securities.

Amendments promulgated in 1998 by the Federal Reserve expanded the definition of a marginable security under the Federal Reserve's margin rules to include any non-equity security. Thus, any debt securities issued by any entity are marginable securities under the Federal Reserve's current margin rules. As a result, the staff of the SEC has raised the question as to whether a private company that has outstanding debt securities would qualify as an eligible portfolio company under the 1940 Act.

Until the question raised by the staff of the SEC pertaining to the Federal Reserve's 1998 change to its margin rules has been addressed by legislative, administrative or judicial action, we intend to treat as qualifying assets only those debt and equity securities that are issued by a private company that has no marginable securities outstanding at the time we purchase such securities. As a

result, we will not invest in a private company with outstanding debt securities unless at the time of and after giving effect to such investment, at least 70% of our total assets are qualifying assets.

The SEC has recently issued proposed rules to correct the unintended consequence of the Federal Reserve's 1998 margin rule amendments of apparently limiting the investment opportunities of business development companies. In general, the SEC's proposed rules would define an eligible portfolio company as any company that does not have securities listed on a national securities exchange or association. We are currently in the process of reviewing the SEC's proposed rules and assessing its impact, to the extent such proposed rules are subsequently approved by the SEC, on our investment activities. We do not believe that these proposed rules will have a material adverse effect on our operations.

Results may fluctuate and may not be indicative of future performance. Our operating results may fluctuate and, therefore, you should not rely on current or historical period results to be indicative of our performance in future reporting periods. Factors that could cause operating results to fluctuate include, among others, variations in the investment origination volume and fee income earned, variation in timing of prepayments, variations in and the timing of the recognition of net realized gains or losses and changes in unrealized appreciation or depreciation, the degree to which we encounter competition in our markets, and general economic conditions.

Our common stock price may be volatile. The trading price of our common stock may fluctuate substantially. The price of the common stock may be higher or lower than the price you pay for your shares, depending on many factors, some of which are beyond our control and may not be directly related to our operating performance. These factors include the following:

price and volume fluctuations in the overall stock market from time to time;

significant volatility in the market price and trading volume of securities of business development companies or other financial services companies;

volatility resulting from trading in derivative securities related to our common stock including puts, calls, long-term equity anticipation securities, or LEAPs, or short trading positions;

changes in regulatory policies or tax guidelines with respect to business development companies or regulated investment companies;

actual or anticipated changes in our earnings or fluctuations in our operating results or changes in the expectations of securities analysts;

general economic conditions and trends;

loss of a major funding source; or

departures of key personnel.

Item 3. *Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk*

There has been no material change in quantitative or qualitative disclosures about market risk since December 31, 2003.

Item 4. *Controls and Procedures*

(a) As of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report on Form 10-Q, the Company's chief executive officer and chief financial officer conducted an evaluation of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Based upon this evaluation, the Company's chief executive officer and chief financial officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective in timely alerting them

of any material information relating to the Company that is required to be disclosed by the Company in the reports it files or submits under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

(b) There have been no changes in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the quarter ended September 30, 2004, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. *Legal Proceedings*

On June 23, 2004, we were notified by the SEC that they are conducting an informal investigation of us. Based on the documentation requested by the SEC, the nature of the inquiry appears to pertain to matters related to our portfolio company, Business Loan Express, LLC and allegations made by short sellers over the last two years. We have voluntarily agreed to cooperate fully with the SEC's investigation.

On May 28, 2004, Ferolie Corporation, a food broker with business and contractual relationships with an entity that is now affiliated with one of our portfolio companies, Advantage Sales & Marketing Inc., filed suit against us, Advantage Sales & Marketing and the affiliated entity in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia alleging that, among other things, we and Advantage Sales & Marketing had tortiously interfered with Ferolie's contract with the affiliated entity by causing the affiliated entity (i) to breach its obligations to Ferolie regarding Ferolie's participation in a reorganization transaction involving the affiliated entity and (ii) to induce clients of Ferolie to transfer their business to the affiliated entity. Ferolie seeks actual and punitive damages against us and Advantage Sales & Marketing and declaratory and injunctive relief. On July 15, 2004, the United States District Court for the District of Columbia dismissed the lawsuit for lack of jurisdiction. On August 17, 2004, Ferolie filed a Petition to Compel Arbitration in the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois naming us, Advantage Sales & Marketing and the affiliated entity as respondents. Ferolie attached to its petition an Amended Demand for Arbitration and Statement of Claims that asserts essentially the same claims as were asserted in the lawsuit that was dismissed by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. On October 29, 2004, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois dismissed Ferolie's petition after finding that Ferolie had failed to adequately allege the existence of subject matter jurisdiction.

In addition to the above matters, we are party to certain lawsuits in the normal course of business.

While the outcome of these legal proceedings and other matters cannot at this time be predicted with certainty, we do not expect that these matters will have a material effect upon our financial condition or results of operations.

Item 2. *Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds*

During the three months ended September 30, 2004, we issued a total of 56,855 shares of common stock under our dividend reinvestment plan pursuant to an exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities Act of 1933. The aggregate offering price for the shares of common stock sold under the dividend reinvestment plan was approximately \$1.4 million.

The following table provides information as of and for the quarter ended September 30, 2004, regarding shares of our common stock that were purchased under our Non-Qualified Deferred

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Compensation Plan I (DCP I) and Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan II (DCP II), which are administered by independent third-party trustees.

	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid Per Share
DCP I ⁽¹⁾		
7/1/2004 to 7/31/2004	29	\$ 24.87
8/1/2004 to 8/31/2004		
9/1/2004 to 9/30/2004		
DCP II ⁽²⁾		
7/1/2004 to 7/31/2004	3,073	24.87
8/1/2004 to 8/31/2004		
9/1/2004 to 9/30/2004	123,935	\$ 25.54
Total	127,037	\$ 25.52

(1) The DCP I is an unfunded plan, as defined by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, that provides for the deferral of compensation by our directors, employees, and consultants. Our directors, employees, or consultants are eligible to participate in the plan at such time and for such period as designated by the Board of Directors. The DCP I is administered through a trust by an independent third-party trustee, and we fund this plan through cash contributions. Directors may choose to defer director's fees through the DCP I, and may choose to invest such deferred income in shares of our common stock. To the extent a director elects to invest in our common stock, the trustee of the DCP I will be required to use such deferred director's fees to purchase shares of our common stock in the market.

(2) We have established a long-term incentive compensation program whereby we will generally determine an individual performance award for certain officers annually at the beginning of each year. In conjunction with the program, we instituted the DCP II, which is an unfunded plan (as defined by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986) that is administered through a trust by an independent third-party trustee. The individual performance awards will be deposited in the trust in four equal installments, generally on a quarterly basis in the form of cash and the DCP II requires the trustee to use the cash exclusively to purchase shares of our common stock in the market.

Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities

Not applicable.

Item 4. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

None.

Item 5. Other Information

Not applicable.

Item 6. Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
3.1	Restated Articles of Incorporation. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit a.1 filed with Allied Capital's Post-Effective Amendment No. 2 to registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-67336) filed on March 22, 2002).</i>
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2. filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003).</i>
4.1	Specimen Certificate of Allied Capital's Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit d. filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-51899) filed on May 6, 1998).</i>

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- 4.2 Form of debenture between certain subsidiaries of Allied Capital and the U.S. Small Business Administration.
(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 filed by a predecessor entity to Allied Capital on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1996).

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10.1	Dividend Reinvestment Plan, as amended. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit e. filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-87862) filed on May 8, 2002).</i>
10.2	Third Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated April 18, 2003. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2003).</i>
10.2(a)	First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of October 6, 2003. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2(a) filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2003).</i>
10.2(b)	Second Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of December 17, 2003. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2(b) filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003).</i>
10.2(c)	Third Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated May 28, 2004. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2(c) filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2004).</i>
10.3	Note Agreement, dated as of April 30, 1998. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 1998).</i>
10.4	Loan Agreement between a predecessor entity to Allied Capital and Overseas Private Investment Corporation, dated April 10, 1995. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit f.7 filed by a predecessor entity to Allied Capital to Pre-Effective Amendment No. 2 to registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-64629) filed on January 24, 1996).</i> Letter, dated December 11, 1997, evidencing assignment of Loan Agreement from the predecessor entity of Allied Capital to Allied Capital. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1997).</i>
10.5	Note Agreement, dated as of May 1, 1999. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 1999).</i>
10.11	Note Agreement, dated as of November 15, 1999. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4a of Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1999).</i>
10.12	Note Agreement, dated as of October 15, 2000. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4b filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended September 30, 2000).</i>
10.13	Note Agreement, dated as of October 15, 2001. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit f.10 filed with Allied Capital's Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-67336) filed on November 14, 2001).</i>
10.15	Control Investor Guaranty Agreement, dated as of March 28, 2001, between Allied Capital and Fleet National Bank and Business Loan Express, Inc. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit f.14 filed with Allied Capital's Post-Effective Amendment No. 3 to registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-43534) filed on May 15, 2001).</i>
10.17	Non-Qualified Deferred Compensation Plan II. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit A filed with Allied Capital's Proxy Statement filed on March 30, 2004).</i>
10.18	Amended and Restated Deferred Compensation Plan, dated January 30, 2004. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.16 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003).</i>
10.19	Amended Stock Option Plan. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit B of Allied Capital's definitive proxy statement for Allied Capital's 2004 Annual Meeting of Stockholders filed on March 30, 2004).</i>
10.20(a)	Allied Capital Corporation 401(k) Plan, dated September 1, 1999. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.4 filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-88681) filed on October 8, 1999).</i>

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10.20(b)	Amendment to Allied Capital Corporation 401(k) Plan, dated April 15, 2004. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.20(b) filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2004).</i>
10.21	Employment Agreement, dated January 1, 2004, between Allied Capital and William L. Walton. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.21 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003).</i>
10.22	Employment Agreement, dated January 1, 2004, between Allied Capital and Joan M. Sweeney. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.22 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003).</i>
10.25	Form of Custody Agreement with Riggs Bank N.A. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit j.1 filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-51899) filed on May 6, 1998).</i>
10.26	Form of Custody Agreement with LaSalle National Bank. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit j.2 filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-51899) filed on May 6, 1998).</i>
10.27	Custodian Agreement with LaSalle National Bank Association dated July 9, 2001. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit j.3 filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-67336) filed on August 10, 2001).</i>
10.28	Code of Ethics. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.28 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003.)</i>
10.30	Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among Allied Capital, Allied Capital Lock Acquisition Corporation, and Sunsource, Inc dated June 18, 2001. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit k.1 filed with Allied Capital's registration statement on Form N-2 (File No. 333-67336) filed on August 10, 2001).</i>
10.31	Note Agreement, dated as of May 14, 2003. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.31 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2003).</i>
10.32	Amendment, dated as of April 30, 2003, to Note Agreement, dated as of April 30, 1998. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.32 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2003).</i>
10.33	Amendment, dated as of April 30, 2003, to Note Agreement, dated as of May 1, 1999. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.33 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2003).</i>
10.34	Amendment, dated as of April 30, 2003, to Note Agreement, dated as of November 15, 1999. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.34 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2003).</i>
10.35	Amendment, dated as of April 30, 2003, to Note Agreement, dated as of October 15, 2000. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.35 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2003).</i>
10.36	Amendment, dated as of April 30, 2003, to Note Agreement, dated as of October 15, 2001. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.36 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2003).</i>
10.37	Form of Indemnification Agreement between Allied Capital and its directors and certain officers. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.37 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003).</i>
10.38	Note Agreement, dated as of March 25, 2004. <i>(Incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.38 filed with Allied Capital's Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2004.)</i>
15.*	Letter regarding Unaudited Interim Financial Information
31.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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31.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant Rule 13a-14 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
32.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, 18 U.S.C. Section 1350.
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* Filed herewith.

SIGNATURES

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

ALLIED CAPITAL CORPORATION
(Registrant)

Dated: November 5, 2004

/s/ WILLIAM L. WALTON

William L. Walton
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

/s/ PENNI F. ROLL

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