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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

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

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2015

OR

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

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number 000-20202
CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

MICHIGAN
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or
organization)

38-1999511
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

25505 WEST TWELVE MILE ROAD
SOUTHFIELD, MICHIGAN
(Address of principal executive offices)

48034-8339
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 248-353-2700

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

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

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

Large accelerated filer	Accelerated filer <input type="radio"/>	Non-accelerated filer <input type="radio"/>	Smaller reporting company <input type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>		(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)	

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

The number of shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01, outstanding on October 30, 2015 was 20,596,978.

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PART I. - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(UNAUDITED)

(In millions, except share and per share data)

	As of September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$134.7	\$6.4
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	176.0	157.6
Restricted securities available for sale	50.5	53.2
Loans receivable (including \$9.5 and \$8.7 from affiliates as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively)	3,189.7	2,719.8
Allowance for credit losses	(230.2	) (206.9
Loans receivable, net	2,959.5	2,512.9
Property and equipment, net	19.5	20.9
Income taxes receivable	0.3	1.4
Other assets	35.1	33.0
Total Assets	\$3,375.6	\$2,785.4
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$124.2	\$114.4
Revolving secured line of credit	—	119.5
Secured financing	1,532.9	1,333.0
Senior notes	548.3	300.0
Deferred income taxes, net	236.6	213.4
Income taxes payable	2.3	2.9
Total Liabilities	2,444.3	2,083.2
Commitments and Contingencies - See Note 14		
Shareholders' Equity:		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value, 1,000,000 shares authorized, none issued	—	—
Common stock, \$.01 par value, 80,000,000 shares authorized, 20,597,249 and 20,597,671 shares issued and outstanding as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively	0.2	0.2
Paid-in capital	98.3	88.7
Retained earnings	832.7	613.4
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	0.1	(0.1
Total Shareholders' Equity	931.3	702.2
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	\$3,375.6	\$2,785.4

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(UNAUDITED)

(In millions, except share and per share data)	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Revenue:				
Finance charges	\$186.2	\$158.0	\$536.3	\$468.7
Premiums earned	12.0	12.7	36.7	39.5
Other income	12.0	11.0	34.5	30.2
Total revenue	210.2	181.7	607.5	538.4
Costs and expenses:				
Salaries and wages	28.6	22.0	87.5	72.0
General and administrative	9.8	8.7	28.0	25.4
Sales and marketing	11.9	8.7	34.5	27.1
Provision for credit losses	13.2	4.1	27.8	13.4
Interest	20.4	13.5	54.9	42.8
Provision for claims	8.4	9.4	26.2	31.4
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—	—	—	21.8
Total costs and expenses	92.3	66.4	258.9	233.9
Income before provision for income taxes	117.9	115.3	348.6	304.5
Provision for income taxes	43.9	41.3	128.9	111.3
Net income	\$74.0	\$74.0	\$219.7	\$193.2
Net income per share:				
Basic	\$3.53	\$3.38	\$10.49	\$8.49
Diluted	\$3.53	\$3.38	\$10.49	\$8.48
Weighted average shares outstanding:				
Basic	20,946,827	21,888,591	20,938,847	22,750,868
Diluted	20,952,711	21,895,222	20,949,508	22,776,197

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
(UNAUDITED)

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended September 30,	
	2015	2014
Net income	\$74.0	\$74.0
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax:		
Unrealized gain (loss) on securities, net of tax	0.1	(0.1)
Other comprehensive income (loss)	0.1	(0.1)
Comprehensive income	\$74.1	\$73.9

(In millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2015	2014
Net income	\$219.7	\$193.2
Other comprehensive income, net of tax:		
Unrealized gain on securities, net of tax	0.2	0.1
Other comprehensive income	0.2	0.1
Comprehensive income	\$219.9	\$193.3

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CREDIT ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
(UNAUDITED)

(In millions)	For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,	
	2015	2014
Cash Flows From Operating Activities:		
Net income	\$219.7	\$193.2
Adjustments to reconcile cash provided by operating activities:		
Provision for credit losses	27.8	13.4
Depreciation	4.3	4.0
Amortization	6.4	5.7
Loss on retirement of property and equipment	0.3	0.1
Provision for deferred income taxes	23.1	33.8
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—	21.8
Stock-based compensation	10.0	9.6
Change in operating assets and liabilities:		
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	5.2	(2.4)
Decrease (increase) in income taxes receivable	1.1	(0.3)
Decrease in income taxes payable	(0.6)	(8.4)
Decrease (increase) in other assets	3.0	(0.1)
Net cash provided by operating activities	300.3	270.4
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:		
Increase in restricted cash and cash equivalents	(18.4)	(94.1)
Purchases of restricted securities available for sale	(26.6)	(57.6)
Proceeds from sale of restricted securities available for sale	26.0	10.6
Maturities of restricted securities available for sale	3.2	48.9
Principal collected on Loans receivable	1,318.7	1,171.5
Advances to Dealers	(1,371.5)	(1,103.6)
Purchases of Consumer Loans	(266.8)	(142.8)
Accelerated payments of Dealer Holdback	(39.6)	(31.6)
Payments of Dealer Holdback	(115.2)	(101.5)
Purchases of property and equipment	(3.2)	(3.6)
Net cash used in investing activities	(493.4)	(303.8)
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:		
Borrowings under revolving secured line of credit	1,463.1	1,982.2
Repayments under revolving secured line of credit	(1,582.6)	(2,076.2)
Proceeds from secured financing	1,196.0	1,583.9
Repayments of secured financing	(996.1)	(1,168.2)
Proceeds from issuance of senior notes	248.2	300.0
Repayment of senior notes	—	(350.0)
Payments of debt issuance and debt extinguishment costs	(11.0)	(29.9)
Repurchase of common stock	(1.1)	(218.7)
Proceeds from stock options exercised	—	0.6
Tax benefits from stock-based compensation plans	0.3	13.6
Other financing activities	4.6	(3.8)
Net cash provided by financing activities	321.4	33.5

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Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	128.3	0.1
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	6.4	4.2
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$134.7	\$4.3
Supplemental Disclosure of Cash Flow Information:		
Cash paid during the period for interest	\$52.3	\$47.9
Cash paid during the period for income taxes	\$102.2	\$71.7
See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.		

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NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
(UNAUDITED)

1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying unaudited consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“generally accepted accounting principles” or “GAAP”) for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments (consisting of normal recurring accruals) considered necessary for a fair presentation have been included. The results of operations for interim periods are not necessarily indicative of actual results achieved for full fiscal years. The consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2014 has been derived from the audited financial statements at that date but does not include all the information and footnotes required by GAAP for complete financial statements. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and footnotes thereto included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014 for Credit Acceptance Corporation (the “Company”, “Credit Acceptance”, “we”, “our” or “us”).

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

We have evaluated events and transactions occurring subsequent to the consolidated balance sheet date of September 30, 2015 for items that could potentially be recognized or disclosed in these financial statements. We did not identify any items which would require disclosure in or adjustment to the financial statements.

Reclassification

Certain amounts for prior periods have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation. We have changed the presentation of our accretable yield disclosure for Loans. For additional information regarding this change, see Note 5 to the consolidated financial statements.

2. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

Since 1972, Credit Acceptance has offered automobile dealers financing programs that enable them to sell vehicles to consumers, regardless of their credit history. Our financing programs are offered through a nationwide network of automobile dealers who benefit from sales of vehicles to consumers who otherwise could not obtain financing; from repeat and referral sales generated by these same customers; and from sales to customers responding to advertisements for our product, but who actually end up qualifying for traditional financing.

We refer to automobile dealers who participate in our programs and who share our commitment to changing consumers’ lives as “Dealers”. Upon enrollment in our financing programs, the Dealer enters into a Dealer servicing agreement with us that defines the legal relationship between Credit Acceptance and the Dealer. The Dealer servicing agreement assigns the responsibilities for administering, servicing, and collecting the amounts due on retail installment contracts (referred to as “Consumer Loans”) from the Dealers to us. We are an indirect lender from a legal perspective, meaning the Consumer Loan is originated by the Dealer and assigned to us.

Substantially all of the Consumer Loans assigned to us are made to consumers with impaired or limited credit histories. The following table shows the percentage of Consumer Loans assigned to us with either FICO® scores

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below 650 or no FICO® scores:

Consumer Loan Assignment Volume	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended		
	September 30, 2015	2014	September 30, 2015	2014	
Percentage of total unit volume with either FICO® scores below 650 or no FICO® scores	96.0	% 95.2	% 96.1	% 95.6	%

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We have two programs: the Portfolio Program and the Purchase Program. Under the Portfolio Program, we advance money to Dealers (referred to as a “Dealer Loan”) in exchange for the right to service the underlying Consumer Loans. Under the Purchase Program, we buy the Consumer Loans from the Dealers (referred to as a “Purchased Loan”) and keep all amounts collected from the consumer. Dealer Loans and Purchased Loans are collectively referred to as “Loans”. The following table shows the percentage of Consumer Loans assigned to us based on unit volumes under each of the programs for each of the last seven quarters:

Quarter Ended	Portfolio Program	Purchase Program		
March 31, 2014	91.7	% 8.3		%
June 30, 2014	91.4	% 8.6		%
September 30, 2014	90.5	% 9.5		%
December 31, 2014	89.0	% 11.0		%
March 31, 2015	88.6	% 11.4		%
June 30, 2015	87.7	% 12.3		%
September 30, 2015	87.3	% 12.7		%

Portfolio Program

As payment for the vehicle, the Dealer generally receives the following:

- a down payment from the consumer;
- a non-recourse cash payment (“advance”) from us; and
- after the advance has been recovered by us, the cash from payments made on the Consumer Loan, net of certain collection costs and our servicing fee (“Dealer Holdback”).

We record the amount advanced to the Dealer as a Dealer Loan, which is classified within Loans receivable in our consolidated balance sheets. Cash advanced to the Dealer is automatically assigned to the Dealer’s open pool of advances. We generally require Dealers to group advances into pools of at least 100 Consumer Loans. At the Dealer’s option, a pool containing at least 100 Consumer Loans can be closed and subsequent advances assigned to a new pool. All advances within a Dealer’s pool are secured by the future collections on the related Consumer Loans assigned to the pool. For Dealers with more than one pool, the pools are cross-collateralized so the performance of other pools is considered in determining eligibility for Dealer Holdback. We perfect our security interest in the Dealer Loans by taking possession of the Consumer Loans, which list us as lien holder on the vehicle title.

The Dealer servicing agreement provides that collections received by us during a calendar month on Consumer Loans assigned by a Dealer are applied on a pool-by-pool basis as follows:

- First, to reimburse us for certain collection costs;
- Second, to pay us our servicing fee, which generally equals 20% of collections;
- Third, to reduce the aggregate advance balance and to pay any other amounts due from the Dealer to us; and
- Fourth, to the Dealer as payment of Dealer Holdback.

If the collections on Consumer Loans from a Dealer’s pool are not sufficient to repay the advance balance and any other amounts due to us, the Dealer will not receive Dealer Holdback.

Dealers have an opportunity to receive an accelerated Dealer Holdback payment each time 100 Consumer Loans have been assigned to us. The amount paid to the Dealer is calculated using a formula that considers the forecasted

collections and the advance balance on the related Consumer Loans.

Since typically the combination of the advance and the consumer's down payment provides the Dealer with a cash profit at the time of sale, the Dealer's risk in the Consumer Loan is limited. We cannot demand repayment of the advance from the Dealer except in the event the Dealer is in default of the Dealer servicing agreement. Advances are made only after the consumer and Dealer have signed a Consumer Loan contract, we have received the original Consumer Loan contract and supporting documentation, and we have approved all of the related stipulations for funding. The Dealer can also opt to repurchase Consumer Loans that have been assigned to us under the Portfolio Program, at their discretion, for a fee.

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For accounting purposes, the transactions described under the Portfolio Program are not considered to be loans to consumers. Instead, our accounting reflects that of a lender to the Dealer. The classification as a Dealer Loan for accounting purposes is primarily a result of (1) the Dealer's financial interest in the Consumer Loan and (2) certain elements of our legal relationship with the Dealer.

Purchase Program

The Purchase Program differs from our Portfolio Program in that the Dealer receives a one-time payment from us at the time of assignment to purchase the Consumer Loan instead of a cash advance at the time of assignment and future Dealer Holdback payments. For accounting purposes, the transactions described under the Purchase Program are considered to be originated by the Dealer and then purchased by us.

Program Enrollment

Dealers may enroll in our program by (1) paying an up-front, one-time fee of \$9,850, or (2) agreeing to allow us to retain 50% of their first accelerated Dealer Holdback payment. Dealers are granted access to the Portfolio Program upon enrollment. Access to the Purchase Program is limited and is typically only granted to Dealers that meet one of the following:

- received their first accelerated Dealer Holdback payment under the Portfolio Program;
- franchise dealership; or
- independent dealership that meets certain criteria upon enrollment.

3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Business Segment Information

We currently operate in one reportable segment which represents our core business of offering Dealers financing programs and related products and services that enable them to sell vehicles to consumers, regardless of their credit history. The consolidated financial statements reflect the financial results of our one reportable operating segment.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash equivalents consist of readily marketable securities with original maturities at the date of acquisition of three months or less. As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we had \$134.4 million and \$5.8 million, respectively, in cash and cash equivalents that were not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC").

Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents

Restricted cash and cash equivalents consist of cash pledged as collateral for secured financings and cash held in trusts for future vehicle service contract claims. As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, we had \$174.0 million and \$155.3 million, respectively, in restricted cash and cash equivalents that was not insured by the FDIC.

Loans Receivable and Allowance for Credit Losses

Consumer Loan Assignment. For accounting and financial reporting purposes, a Consumer Loan is considered to have been assigned to us after all of the following has occurred:

- the consumer and Dealer have signed a Consumer Loan contract;
- we have received the original Consumer Loan contract and supporting documentation;
- we have approved all of the related stipulations for funding; and
- we have provided funding to the Dealer in the form of either an advance under the Portfolio Program or one-time purchase payment under the Purchase Program.

Portfolio Segments and Classes. We are considered to be a lender to our Dealers for Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio Program and a purchaser of Consumer Loans assigned under our Purchase Program. As a result, our Loan portfolio consists of two portfolio segments: Dealer Loans and Purchased Loans. Each portfolio segment is comprised of one class of Consumer Loan assignments, which is Consumer Loans with deteriorated credit quality that were originated by Dealers to finance consumer purchases of vehicles and related ancillary products.

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Dealer Loans. Amounts advanced to Dealers for Consumer Loans assigned under the Portfolio Program are recorded as Dealer Loans and are aggregated by Dealer for purposes of recognizing revenue and evaluating impairment. We account for Dealer Loans in a manner consistent with loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality. The outstanding balance of each Dealer Loan included in Loans receivable is comprised of the following:

- the aggregate amount of all cash advances paid;
- finance charges;
- Dealer Holdback payments;
- accelerated Dealer Holdback payments; and
- recoveries.

Less:

- collections (net of certain collection costs); and
- write-offs.

An allowance for credit losses is maintained at an amount that reduces the net asset value (Dealer Loan balance less the allowance) to the value of forecasted future cash flows discounted at the yield established at the time of assignment. This allowance calculation is completed for each individual Dealer. The discounted value of future cash flows is comprised of estimated future collections on the Consumer Loans, less any estimated Dealer Holdback payments. We write off Dealer Loans once there are no forecasted future cash flows on any of the associated Consumer Loans, which generally occurs 120 months after the last Consumer Loan assignment.

Future collections on Dealer Loans are forecasted based on the historical performance of Consumer Loans with similar characteristics, adjusted for recent trends in payment patterns. Dealer Holdback is forecasted based on the expected future collections and current advance balance of each Dealer Loan. Cash flows from any individual Dealer Loan are often different than estimated cash flows at the time of assignment. If such difference is favorable, the difference is recognized prospectively into income over the remaining life of the Dealer Loan through a yield adjustment. If such difference is unfavorable, a provision for credit losses is recorded immediately as a current period expense and a corresponding allowance for credit losses is established. Because differences between estimated cash flows at the time of assignment and actual cash flows occur often, an allowance is required for a significant portion of our Dealer Loan portfolio. An allowance for credit losses does not necessarily indicate that a Dealer Loan is unprofitable, and seldom are cash flows from a Dealer Loan insufficient to repay the initial amounts advanced to the Dealer.

Purchased Loans. Amounts paid to Dealers for Consumer Loans assigned under the Purchase Program are recorded as Purchased Loans and are aggregated into pools based on the month of purchase for purposes of recognizing revenue and evaluating impairment. We account for Purchased Loans as loans acquired with deteriorated credit quality. The outstanding balance of each Purchased Loan pool included in Loans receivable is comprised of the following:

- the aggregate amount of all amounts paid during the month of purchase to purchase Consumer Loans from Dealers;
- finance charges; and
- recoveries.

Less:

- collections (net of certain collection costs); and
- write-offs.

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An allowance for credit losses is maintained at an amount that reduces the net asset value (Purchased Loan pool balance less the allowance) to the value of forecasted future cash flows discounted at the yield established at the time of assignment. This allowance calculation is completed for each individual monthly pool of Purchased Loans. The discounted value of future cash flows is comprised of estimated future collections on the pool of Purchased Loans. We write off pools of Purchased Loans once there are no forecasted future cash flows on any of the Purchased Loans included in the pool, which generally occurs 120 months after the month of purchase.

Future collections on Purchased Loans are forecasted based on the historical performance of Consumer Loans with similar characteristics, adjusted for recent trends in payment patterns. Cash flows from any individual pool of Purchased Loans are often different than estimated cash flows at the time of assignment. If such difference is favorable, the difference is recognized prospectively into income over the remaining life of the pool of Purchased Loans through a yield adjustment. If such difference is unfavorable, a provision for credit losses is recorded immediately as a current period expense and a corresponding allowance for credit losses is established.

Credit Quality. Substantially all of the Consumer Loans assigned to us are made to individuals with impaired or limited credit histories or higher debt-to-income ratios than are permitted by traditional lenders. Consumer Loans made to these individuals generally entail a higher risk of delinquency, default and repossession and higher losses than loans made to consumers with better credit. Since most of our revenue and cash flows are generated from these Consumer Loans, our ability to accurately forecast Consumer Loan performance is critical to our business and financial results. At the time the Consumer Loan is submitted to us for assignment, we forecast future expected cash flows from the Consumer Loan. Based on these forecasts, an advance or one-time purchase payment is made to the related Dealer at a price designed to achieve an acceptable return on capital.

We monitor and evaluate the credit quality of Consumer Loans on a monthly basis by comparing our current forecasted collection rates to our initial expectations. We use a statistical model that considers a number of credit quality indicators to estimate the expected collection rate for each Consumer Loan at the time of assignment. The credit quality indicators considered in our model include attributes contained in the consumer's credit bureau report, data contained in the consumer's credit application, the structure of the proposed transaction, vehicle information and other factors. We continue to evaluate the expected collection rate of each Consumer Loan subsequent to assignment primarily through the monitoring of consumer payment behavior. Our evaluation becomes more accurate as the Consumer Loans age, as we use actual performance data in our forecast. Since all known, significant credit quality indicators have already been factored into our forecasts and pricing, we are not able to use any specific credit quality indicators to predict or explain variances in actual performance from our initial expectations. Any variances in performance from our initial expectations are the result of Consumer Loans performing differently than historical Consumer Loans with similar characteristics. We periodically adjust our statistical pricing model for new trends that we identify through our evaluation of these forecasted collection rate variances.

When overall forecasted collection rates underperform our initial expectations, the decline in forecasted collections has a more adverse impact on the profitability of the Purchased Loans than on the profitability of the Dealer Loans. For Purchased Loans, the decline in forecasted collections is absorbed entirely by us. For Dealer Loans, the decline in the forecasted collections is substantially offset by a decline in forecasted payments of Dealer Holdback.

Methodology Changes. For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, we did not make any methodology changes for Loans that had a material impact on our financial results.

Reinsurance

VSC Re Company (“VSC Re”), our wholly-owned subsidiary, is engaged in the business of reinsuring coverage under vehicle service contracts sold to consumers by Dealers on vehicles financed by us. VSC Re currently reinsures vehicle service contracts that are underwritten by one of our third party insurers. Vehicle service contract premiums, which represent the selling price of the vehicle service contract to the consumer, less fees and certain administrative costs, are contributed to trust accounts controlled by VSC Re. These premiums are used to fund claims covered under the vehicle service contracts. VSC Re is a bankruptcy remote entity. As such, our exposure to fund claims is limited to the trust assets controlled by VSC Re and our net investment in VSC Re.

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Premiums from the reinsurance of vehicle service contracts are recognized over the life of the policy in proportion to expected costs of servicing those contracts. Expected costs are determined based on our historical claims experience. Claims are expensed through a provision for claims in the period the claim was incurred. Capitalized acquisition costs are comprised of premium taxes and are amortized as general and administrative expense over the life of the contracts in proportion to premiums earned. A summary of reinsurance activity is as follows:

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Net assumed written premiums	\$9.8	\$10.7	\$35.9	\$36.3
Net premiums earned	12.0	12.7	36.7	39.5
Provision for claims	8.4	9.4	26.2	31.4
Amortization of capitalized acquisition costs	0.4	0.2	0.9	0.9

We are considered the primary beneficiary of the trusts and as a result, the trusts have been consolidated on our balance sheet. The trust assets and related reinsurance liabilities are as follows:

(In millions)	Balance Sheet location	As of	
		September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014
Trust assets	Restricted cash and cash equivalents	\$0.6	\$0.2
Trust assets	Restricted securities available for sale	50.5	53.2
Unearned premium	Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	37.6	38.4
Claims reserve (1)	Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1.4	1.5

(1) The claims reserve is estimated based on historical claims experience.

Our determination to consolidate the VSC Re trusts was based on the following:

First, we determined that the trusts qualified as variable interest entities. The trusts have insufficient equity at risk as no parties to the trusts were required to contribute assets that provide them with any ownership interest.

Next, we determined that we have variable interests in the trusts. We have a residual interest in the assets of the trusts, which is variable in nature, given that it increases or decreases based upon the actual loss experience of the related service contracts. In addition, VSC Re is required to absorb any losses in excess of the trusts' assets.

Next, we evaluated the purpose and design of the trusts. The primary purpose of the trusts is to provide third party providers ("TPPs") with funds to pay claims on vehicle service contracts and to accumulate and provide us with proceeds from investment income and residual funds.

Finally, we determined that we are the primary beneficiary of the trusts. We control the amount of premium written and placed in the trusts through Consumer Loan assignments under our Programs, which is the activity that most significantly impacts the economic performance of the trusts. We have the right to receive benefits from the trusts that could potentially be significant. In addition, VSC Re has the obligation to absorb losses of the trusts that could potentially be significant.

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New Accounting Updates

Disclosures about Short-Duration Contracts. In May 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) issued Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) No. 2015-09, which amends Topic 944 (Financial Services - Insurance) and enhances disclosures for short-duration insurance contracts. ASU No. 2015-09 is intended to increase transparency regarding significant estimates made in measuring liabilities for unpaid claims and claim adjustment expenses. It does not otherwise change the accounting for short-duration insurance contracts. ASU No. 2015-09 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, and interim periods within annual periods beginning after December 15, 2016. Early adoption is permitted, but we have not yet adopted ASU No. 2015-09. While the adoption of ASU No. 2015-09 is not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements, we expect that it will expand our disclosures related to the reinsurance of vehicle service contracts.

Customer's Accounting for Fees Paid in a Cloud Computing Arrangement. In April 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-05 which provides guidance to customers about whether a cloud computing arrangement includes a software license. If a cloud computing arrangement includes a software license, the customer should account for the software license element of the arrangement consistent with the acquisition of other software licenses. If a cloud computing arrangement does not include a software license, the customer should account for the arrangement as a service contract. The guidance will not change the customer's accounting for service contracts. ASU No. 2015-05 is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods, beginning after December 15, 2015. Early adoption is permitted, but we have not yet adopted ASU No. 2015-05. We have not yet determined the effect that ASU No. 2015-05 will have on our consolidated financial statements.

Simplifying the Presentation of Debt Issuance Costs. In April 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-03, which amends Topic 835 (Interest) and requires the presentation of debt issuance costs in the balance sheet as a deduction from the carrying amount of the related debt liability instead of a deferred charge. In August 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-15, which amends Subtopic 835-30 (Presentation and Subsequent Measurement of Debt Issuance Costs Associated with Line-of-Credit Arrangements) and states that the SEC staff would not object to an entity deferring and presenting debt issuance costs as an asset and subsequently amortizing the deferred debt issuance costs ratably over the term of the line-of-credit arrangement, regardless of whether there are any outstanding borrowings on the line-of-credit arrangement. ASU No. 2015-03 and 2015-15 are effective for fiscal years, and interim periods, beginning after December 15, 2015. Early adoption is permitted, but we have not yet adopted these standards. The adoption of ASU No. 2015-03, as amended by ASU No. 2015-15, will change the presentation of our debt issuance costs, except for our line-of-credit arrangement, in our consolidated balance sheets.

Amendments to the Consolidation Analysis. In February 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-02, which amends Topic 810 (Consolidation) and requires an entity to evaluate whether they should consolidate certain legal entities. ASU No. 2015-02 is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods, beginning after December 15, 2015. Early adoption is permitted, but we have not yet adopted ASU 2015-02. The adoption of ASU No. 2015-02 is not expected to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

Revenue from Contracts with Customers. In May 2014, the FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09 which supersedes the revenue recognition requirements Topic 605 (Revenue Recognition), and most industry-specific guidance. ASU No. 2014-09 is based on the principle that revenue is recognized to depict the transfer of goods or services to customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which the entity expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. ASU No. 2014-09 also requires additional disclosure about the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows arising from customer contracts, including significant judgments and changes in judgments

and assets recognized from costs incurred to obtain or fulfill a contract. In August 2015, the FASB issued ASU No. 2015-14 to defer the effective date of ASU No. 2014-09 by one year to fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2017. ASU No. 2015-14 also permits early adoption of ASU No. 2014-09, but not before the original effective date, which was for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016. We have not yet determined the effect that ASU No. 2014-09, as amended by ASU No. 2015-14, will have on our consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit When a Net Operating Loss Carryforward, a Similar Tax Loss, or a Tax Credit Carryforward Exists. In July 2013, the FASB issued ASU No. 2013-11 which requires an entity to net its liability for unrecognized tax benefits against a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss or a tax credit carryforward when settlement in this manner is available under the tax law. ASU No. 2013-11 is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods, beginning after December 15, 2013, with early adoption permitted. The adoption of ASU No. 2013-11 on January 1, 2014 did not have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

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4. RESTRICTED SECURITIES AVAILABLE FOR SALE

Restricted securities available for sale consist of amounts held in trusts related to VSC Re. We determine the appropriate classification of our investments in debt securities at the time of purchase and reevaluate such determinations at each balance sheet date. Debt securities for which we do not have the intent or ability to hold to maturity are classified as available for sale, and stated at fair value with unrealized gains and losses, net of income taxes included in the determination of comprehensive income and reported as a component of shareholders' equity.

Restricted securities available for sale consist of the following:

(In millions)	As of September 30, 2015			
	Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
U.S. Government and agency securities	\$23.1	\$0.2	\$—	\$23.3
Corporate bonds	17.5	—	—	17.5
Asset-backed securities	5.5	—	—	5.5
Mortgage-backed securities	4.2	—	—	4.2
Total restricted securities available for sale	\$50.3	\$0.2	\$—	\$50.5

(In millions)	As of December 31, 2014			
	Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
U.S. Government and agency securities	\$28.8	\$0.1	\$(0.1)	) \$28.8
Corporate bonds	19.1	—	(0.1)	) 19.0
Asset-backed securities	4.8	—	—	4.8
Mortgage-backed securities	0.6	—	—	0.6
Total restricted securities available for sale	\$53.3	\$0.1	\$(0.2)) \$53.2

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The fair value and gross unrealized losses for restricted securities available for sale, aggregated by investment category and length of time that individual securities have been in a continuous unrealized loss position, are as follows:

(In millions)	Securities Available for Sale with Gross Unrealized Losses as of September 30, 2015					
	Less than 12 Months		12 Months or More		Total Estimated Fair Value	Total Gross Unrealized Losses
	Estimated Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses		
Corporate bonds	\$7.3	\$—	\$0.7	\$—	\$8.0	\$—
U.S. Government and agency securities	2.0	—	0.7	—	2.7	—
Asset-backed securities	1.3	—	—	—	1.3	—
Mortgage-backed securities	1.2	—	—	—	1.2	—
Total restricted securities available for sale	\$11.8	\$—	\$1.4	\$—	\$13.2	\$—

(In millions)	Securities Available for Sale with Gross Unrealized Losses as of December 31, 2014					
	Less than 12 Months		12 Months or More		Total Estimated Fair Value	Total Gross Unrealized Losses
	Estimated Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value	Gross Unrealized Losses		
Corporate bonds	\$15.3	\$(0.1)	\$2.7	\$—	\$18.0	\$(0.1)
U.S. Government and agency securities	9.3	—	2.5	(0.1)	11.8	(0.1)
Asset-backed securities	3.7	—	—	—	3.7	—
Total restricted securities available for sale	\$28.3	\$(0.1)	\$5.2	\$(0.1)	\$33.5	\$(0.2)

The cost and estimated fair values of debt securities by contractual maturity were as follows (securities with multiple maturity dates are classified in the period of final maturity). Expected maturities will differ from contractual maturities because borrowers may have the right to call or prepay obligations with or without call or prepayment penalties.

(In millions)	As of			
	September 30, 2015		December 31, 2014	
Contractual Maturity	Cost	Estimated Fair Value	Cost	Estimated Fair Value
Within one year	\$2.8	\$2.8	\$3.8	\$3.8
Over one year to five years	43.6	43.8	45.1	45.0
Over five years to ten years	1.0	1.0	4.1	4.1
Over ten years	2.9	2.9	0.3	0.3
Total restricted securities available for sale	\$50.3	\$50.5	\$53.3	\$53.2

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5. LOANS RECEIVABLE

Loans receivable consists of the following:

(In millions)	As of September 30, 2015		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Loans receivable	\$2,726.5	\$463.2	\$3,189.7
Allowance for credit losses	(221.8	) (8.4	) (230.2
Loans receivable, net	\$2,504.7	\$454.8	\$2,959.5

(In millions)	As of December 31, 2014		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Loans receivable	\$2,389.8	\$330.0	\$2,719.8
Allowance for credit losses	(198.1	) (8.8	) (206.9
Loans receivable, net	\$2,191.7	\$321.2	\$2,512.9

A summary of changes in Loans receivable is as follows:

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2015		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$2,634.8	\$417.8	\$3,052.6
New Consumer Loan assignments (1)	427.9	92.6	520.5
Principal collected on Loans receivable	(383.3	) (48.8	) (432.1
Accelerated Dealer Holdback payments	13.0	—	13.0
Dealer Holdback payments	36.6	—	36.6
Transfers (2)	(1.5	) 1.5	—
Write-offs	(1.3	) —	(1.3
Recoveries (3)	0.3	0.1	0.4
Balance, end of period	\$2,726.5	\$463.2	\$3,189.7

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2014		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$2,279.0	\$283.8	\$2,562.8
New Consumer Loan assignments (1)	342.9	48.8	391.7
Principal collected on Loans receivable	(344.7	) (36.9	) (381.6
Accelerated Dealer Holdback payments	9.7	—	9.7
Dealer Holdback payments	33.7	—	33.7
Transfers (2)	(4.6	) 4.6	—
Write-offs	(1.1) (0.1) (1.2
Recoveries (3)	0.4	0.1	0.5
Balance, end of period	\$2,315.3	\$300.3	\$2,615.6

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(In millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$2,389.8	\$330.0	\$2,719.8
New Consumer Loan assignments (1)	1,371.5	266.8	1,638.3
Principal collected on Loans receivable	(1,176.7	) (142.0	) (1,318.7
Accelerated Dealer Holdback payments	39.6	—	39.6
Dealer Holdback payments	115.2	—	115.2
Transfers (2)	(8.4	) 8.4	—
Write-offs	(5.7	) (0.2	) (5.9
Recoveries (3)	1.2	0.2	1.4
Balance, end of period	\$2,726.5	\$463.2	\$3,189.7

(In millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$2,155.5	\$252.7	\$2,408.2
New Consumer Loan assignments (1)	1,103.6	142.8	1,246.4
Principal collected on Loans receivable	(1,060.3	) (111.2	) (1,171.5
Accelerated Dealer Holdback payments	31.6	—	31.6
Dealer Holdback payments	101.5	—	101.5
Transfers (2)	(16.0	) 16.0	—
Write-offs	(2.0	) (0.1	) (2.1
Recoveries (3)	1.4	0.1	1.5
Balance, end of period	\$2,315.3	\$300.3	\$2,615.6

The Dealer Loans amount represents advances paid to Dealers on Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio (1) Program. The Purchased Loans amount represents one-time payments made to Dealers to purchase Consumer Loans assigned under our Purchase Program.

- (2) Under our Portfolio Program, certain events may result in Dealers forfeiting their rights to Dealer Holdback. We transfer the Dealer's outstanding Dealer Loan balance to Purchased Loans in the period this forfeiture occurs.
- (3) Represents collections received on previously written off Loans.

Contractual net cash flows are comprised of the contractual repayments of the underlying Consumer Loans for Dealer and Purchased Loans, less the related Dealer Holdback payments for Dealer Loans. The difference between the contractual net cash flows and the expected net cash flows is referred to as the nonaccretable difference. This difference is neither accreted into income nor recorded in our balance sheets. We do not believe that the contractual net cash flows of our Loan portfolio are relevant in assessing our financial position. We are contractually owed repayments on many Consumer Loans, primarily those older than 120 months, where we are not forecasting any future net cash flows.

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The excess of expected net cash flows over the carrying value of the Loans is referred to as the accretable yield and is recognized on a level-yield basis as finance charge income over the remaining lives of the Loans. A summary of changes in the accretable yield is as follows:

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2015		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$825.1	\$168.4	\$993.5
New Consumer Loan assignments (1)	179.6	34.4	214.0
Accretion (2)	(162.1	) (26.4	) (188.5
Provision for credit losses	13.4	(0.2	) 13.2
Forecast changes	(0.8	) 3.7	2.9
Transfers (4)	(0.4	) 1.1	0.7
Balance, end of period	\$854.8	\$181.0	\$1,035.8

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2014		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$709.6	\$124.5	\$834.1
New Consumer Loan assignments (1)	137.7	17.9	155.6
Accretion (2) (3)	(141.1	) (19.4	) (160.5
Provision for credit losses (3)	4.0	0.1	4.1
Forecast changes (3)	5.8	2.4	8.2
Transfers (4)	(1.1	) 2.3	1.2
Balance, end of period	\$714.9	\$127.8	\$842.7

(In millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$725.2	\$136.5	\$861.7
New Consumer Loan assignments (1)	566.3	99.6	665.9
Accretion (2)	(469.3	) (74.1	) (543.4
Provision for credit losses	28.2	(0.4	) 27.8
Forecast changes	6.7	14.2	20.9
Transfers (4)	(2.3	) 5.2	2.9
Balance, end of period	\$854.8	\$181.0	\$1,035.8

(In millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$667.5	\$112.8	\$780.3
New Consumer Loan assignments (1)	445.2	54.5	499.7
Accretion (2) (3)	(419.3	) (57.0	) (476.3
Provision for credit losses (3)	14.0	(0.6	) 13.4
Forecast changes (3)	12.6	9.2	21.8
Transfers (4)	(5.1	) 8.9	3.8
Balance, end of period	\$714.9	\$127.8	\$842.7

- The Dealer Loans amount represents the net cash flows expected at the time of assignment on Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio Program, less the related advances paid to Dealers. The Purchased Loans amount
- (1) represents the net cash flows expected at the time of assignment on Consumer Loans assigned under our Purchase Program, less the related one-time payments made to Dealers.
 - (2) Represents finance charges excluding the amortization of deferred direct origination costs for Dealer Loans. We have changed the presentation from prior periods to: (i) exclude the amortization of deferred direct origination costs for Dealer Loans from accretion (finance charge income under our previous presentation) and forecast changes and (ii) present provision for credit losses and forecast changes as separate activities. Under our previous presentation, we presented: (i) finance charges as reported in our consolidated statements of income and (ii) provision for credit losses and forecast changes as a combined activity.
 - (3) Under our Portfolio Program, certain events may result in Dealers forfeiting their rights to Dealer Holdback. We
 - (4) transfer the Dealer's outstanding Dealer Loan balance and related expected future net cash flows to Purchased Loans in the period this forfeiture occurs.

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Additional information related to new Consumer Loan assignments is as follows:

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2015		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Contractual net cash flows at the time of assignment (1)	\$678.3	\$184.7	\$863.0
Expected net cash flows at the time of assignment (2)	607.5	127.0	734.5
Fair value at the time of assignment (3)	427.9	92.6	520.5

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2014		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Contractual net cash flows at the time of assignment (1)	\$523.9	\$93.5	\$617.4
Expected net cash flows at the time of assignment (2)	480.6	66.7	547.3
Fair value at the time of assignment (3)	342.9	48.8	391.7

(In millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Contractual net cash flows at the time of assignment (1)	\$2,147.4	\$530.1	\$2,677.5
Expected net cash flows at the time of assignment (2)	1,937.8	366.4	2,304.2
Fair value at the time of assignment (3)	1,371.5	266.8	1,638.3

(In millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Contractual net cash flows at the time of assignment (1)	\$1,684.8	\$274.7	\$1,959.5
Expected net cash flows at the time of assignment (2)	1,548.8	197.3	1,746.1
Fair value at the time of assignment (3)	1,103.6	142.8	1,246.4

The Dealer Loans amount represents the repayments that we were contractually owed at the time of assignment on Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio Program, less the related Dealer Holdback payments that we would (1) be required to make if we collected all of the contractual repayments. The Purchased Loans amount represents the repayments that we were contractually owed at the time of assignment on Consumer Loans assigned under our Purchase Program.

The Dealer Loans amount represents the repayments that we expected to collect at the time of assignment on Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio Program, less the related Dealer Holdback payments that we (2) expected to make. The Purchased Loans amount represents the repayments that we expected to collect at the time of assignment on Consumer Loans assigned under our Purchase Program.

The Dealer Loans amount represents advances paid to Dealers on Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio (3) Program. The Purchased Loans amount represents one-time payments made to Dealers to purchase Consumer Loans assigned under our Purchase Program.

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Credit Quality

We monitor and evaluate the credit quality of Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio and Purchase Programs on a monthly basis by comparing our current forecasted collection rates to our initial expectations. For additional information regarding credit quality, see Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements. The following table compares our forecast of Consumer Loan collection rates as of September 30, 2015, with the forecasts as of June 30, 2015, December 31, 2014, and at the time of assignment, segmented by year of assignment:

Consumer Loan Assignment Year	Forecasted Collection Percentage as of (1)				Variance in Forecasted Collection Percentage from			
	September 30, 2015	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014	Initial Forecast	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014	Initial Forecast	
2006	70.1	% 70.1	% 70.0	% 71.4	% 0.0	% 0.1	% -1.3	%
2007	68.1	% 68.1	% 68.0	% 70.7	% 0.0	% 0.1	% -2.6	%
2008	70.3	% 70.3	% 70.3	% 69.7	% 0.0	% 0.0	% 0.6	%
2009	79.4	% 79.4	% 79.4	% 71.9	% 0.0	% 0.0	% 7.5	%
2010	77.4	% 77.4	% 77.2	% 73.6	% 0.0	% 0.2	% 3.8	%
2011	74.2	% 74.2	% 74.0	% 72.5	% 0.0	% 0.2	% 1.7	%
2012	73.2	% 73.3	% 73.4	% 71.4	% -0.1	% -0.2	% 1.8	%
2013	73.5	% 73.5	% 73.7	% 72.0	% 0.0	% -0.2	% 1.5	%
2014	72.8	% 72.8	% 72.6	% 71.8	% 0.0	% 0.2	% 1.0	%
2015 (2)	68.2	% 68.9	% —	68.1	% -0.7	% —	0.1	%

Represents the total forecasted collections we expect to collect on the Consumer Loans as a percentage of the (1) repayments that we were contractually owed on the Consumer Loans at the time of assignment. Contractual repayments include both principal and interest.

The forecasted collection rate for 2015 Consumer Loans as of September 30, 2015 includes both Consumer Loans (2) that were in our portfolio as of June 30, 2015 and Consumer Loans assigned during the most recent quarter. The following table provides forecasted collection rates for each of these segments:

2015 Consumer Loan Assignment Period	Forecasted Collection Percentage as of			Variance from		
	September 30, 2015	June 30, 2015	Initial Forecast	June 30, 2015	Initial Forecast	
January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015	69.0	% 68.9	% 68.6	% 0.1	% 0.4	%
July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015	66.5	% —	—	—	—	

Consumer Loans assigned in 2009 through 2014 have yielded forecasted collection results materially better than our initial estimates, while Consumer Loans assigned in 2006 and 2007 have yielded forecasted collection results materially worse than our initial estimates. For Consumer Loans assigned in 2008 and 2015, actual results have been very close to our initial estimates. For the three months ended September 30, 2015, forecasted collection rates were generally consistent with expectations at the start of the period for all assignment years presented. For the nine months ended September 30, 2015, forecasted collection rates improved for Consumer Loans assigned in 2010, 2011 and 2014, declined for Consumer Loans assigned in 2012 and 2013, and were generally consistent with expectations at the start of the period for all other assignment years presented.

The initial forecast for Consumer Loans assigned in the first nine months of 2015 was lower than the initial forecast for Consumer Loans assigned in 2014. The lower initial forecast reflects a change in the mix of Consumer Loan

assignments received during the first nine months of 2015, including a longer average initial loan term. The average initial term for Consumer Loans assigned in the first nine months of 2015 was 49.7 months as compared to 46.9 months for Consumer Loans assigned in 2014.

The initial forecast for Consumer Loans assigned in the third quarter of 2015 was lower than the initial forecast for Consumer Loans assigned in the first six months of 2015. The lower initial forecast reflects a change in the mix of Consumer Loan assignments received during the third quarter of 2015.

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Advances paid to Dealers on Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio Program and one-time payments made to Dealers to purchase Consumer Loans assigned under our Purchase Program are aggregated into pools for purposes of recognizing revenue and evaluating impairment. As a result of this aggregation, we are not able to segment the carrying value of the majority of our Loan portfolio by year of assignment. We are able to segment our Loan portfolio by the performance of the Loan pools. Performance considers both the amount and timing of expected net cash flows and is measured by comparing the balance of the Loan pool to the discounted value of the expected future net cash flows of each Loan pool using the yield established at the time of assignment. The following table segments our Loan portfolio by the performance of the Loan pools:

(In millions)	As of September 30, 2015					
	Loan Pool Performance Meets or Exceeds Initial Estimates			Loan Pool Performance Less than Initial Estimates		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Loans receivable	\$1,021.3	\$422.6	\$1,443.9	\$1,705.2	\$40.6	\$1,745.8
Allowance for credit losses	—	—	—	(221.8)	(8.4)	(230.2)
Loans receivable, net	\$1,021.3	\$422.6	\$1,443.9	\$1,483.4	\$32.2	\$1,515.6

(In millions)	As of December 31, 2014					
	Loan Pool Performance Meets or Exceeds Initial Estimates			Loan Pool Performance Less than Initial Estimates		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Loans receivable	\$945.1	\$317.7	\$1,262.8	\$1,444.7	\$12.3	\$1,457.0
Allowance for credit losses	—	—	—	(198.1)	(8.8)	(206.9)
Loans receivable, net	\$945.1	\$317.7	\$1,262.8	\$1,246.6	\$3.5	\$1,250.1

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A summary of changes in the allowance for credit losses is as follows:

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2015		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$209.4	\$8.5	\$217.9
Provision for credit losses	13.4	(0.2	) 13.2
Write-offs	(1.3	) —	(1.3
Recoveries (1)	0.3	0.1	0.4
Balance, end of period	\$221.8	\$8.4	\$230.2

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2014		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$195.8	\$9.0	\$204.8
Provision for credit losses	4.0	0.1	4.1
Write-offs	(1.1	) (0.1	) (1.2
Recoveries (1)	0.4	0.1	0.5
Balance, end of period	\$199.1	\$9.1	\$208.2

(In millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$198.1	\$8.8	\$206.9
Provision for credit losses	28.2	(0.4	) 27.8
Write-offs	(5.7	) (0.2	) (5.9
Recoveries (1)	1.2	0.2	1.4
Balance, end of period	\$221.8	\$8.4	\$230.2

(In millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014		
	Dealer Loans	Purchased Loans	Total
Balance, beginning of period	\$185.7	\$9.7	\$195.4
Provision for credit losses	14.0	(0.6	) 13.4
Write-offs	(2.0	) (0.1	) (2.1
Recoveries (1)	1.4	0.1	1.5
Balance, end of period	\$199.1	\$9.1	\$208.2

(1) Represents collections received on previously written off Loans.

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6. DEBT

We currently utilize the following primary forms of debt financing: (1) a revolving secured line of credit; (2) revolving secured warehouse (“Warehouse”) facilities; (3) asset-backed secured financings (“Term ABS”) and (4) senior notes. General information for each of our financing transactions in place as of September 30, 2015 is as follows:

(Dollars in millions)

Financings	Wholly-owned Subsidiary	Maturity Date	Financing Amount	Interest Rate as of September 30, 2015 At our option, either LIBOR plus 187.5 basis points or the prime rate plus 87.5 basis points Commercial paper rate or LIBOR plus 200 basis points (2)
Revolving Secured Line of Credit	n/a	06/22/2018	\$ 310.0	LIBOR plus 200 basis points (2)
Warehouse Facility II (1)	CAC Warehouse Funding Corp. II	07/18/2017 (3)	\$ 400.0	LIBOR plus 160 basis points (2)
Warehouse Facility IV (1)	CAC Warehouse Funding LLC IV	04/30/2018 (3)	\$ 75.0	LIBOR plus 200 basis points
Warehouse Facility V (1)	CAC Warehouse Funding LLC V	09/10/2017 (4)	\$ 100.0	LIBOR plus 200 basis points
Warehouse Facility VI (1)	CAC Warehouse Funding LLC VI	09/30/2018 (3)	\$ 75.0	LIBOR plus 200 basis points
Term ABS 2013-1 (1)	Credit Acceptance Funding LLC 2013-1	04/15/2015 (3)	\$ 140.3	Fixed rate
Term ABS 2013-2 (1)	Credit Acceptance Funding LLC 2013-2	10/15/2015 (3)	\$ 197.8	Fixed rate
Term ABS 2014-1 (1)	Credit Acceptance Funding LLC 2014-1	04/15/2016 (3)	\$ 299.0	Fixed rate
Term ABS 2014-2 (1)	Credit Acceptance Funding LLC 2014-2	09/15/2016 (3)	\$ 349.0	Fixed rate
Term ABS 2015-1 (1)	Credit Acceptance Funding LLC 2015-1	01/16/2017 (3)	\$ 300.6	Fixed rate
Term ABS 2015-2 (1)	Credit Acceptance Funding LLC 2015-2	08/15/2017 (3)	\$ 300.2	Fixed rate
2021 Senior Notes	n/a	02/15/2021	\$ 300.0	Fixed rate
2023 Senior Notes	n/a	03/15/2023	\$ 250.0	Fixed rate

(1) Financing made available only to a specified subsidiary of the Company.

(2) Interest rate cap agreements are in place to limit the exposure to increasing interest rates.

(3) Represents the revolving maturity date. The outstanding balance will amortize after the maturity date based on the cash flows of the pledged assets.

(4) Represents the revolving maturity date. The outstanding balance will amortize after the revolving maturity date and any amounts remaining on September 10, 2019 will be due.

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Additional information related to the amounts outstanding on each facility is as follows:

(In millions)	For the Three Months		For the Nine Months	
	Ended		Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Revolving Secured Line of Credit				
Maximum outstanding balance	\$142.6	\$163.5	\$206.3	\$204.7
Average outstanding balance	30.0	101.2	48.0	102.2
Warehouse Facility II				
Maximum outstanding balance	\$200.8	\$290.2	\$200.8	\$290.2
Average outstanding balance	4.4	152.9	10.6	89.6
Warehouse Facility IV				
Maximum outstanding balance	\$12.0	\$26.7	\$35.0	\$26.7
Average outstanding balance	12.0	24.5	8.2	21.7
Warehouse Facility V (1)				
Maximum outstanding balance	\$99.2	\$58.8	\$99.2	\$75.0
Average outstanding balance	9.6	2.5	16.4	7.4
Warehouse Facility VI				
Maximum outstanding balance	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$—
Average outstanding balance	—	—	—	—

(1) In connection with the renewal of this warehouse facility in the third quarter of 2014, we formed a new wholly owned subsidiary, CAC Warehouse Funding LLC V, which replaced CAC Warehouse Funding III, LLC.

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(Dollars in millions)	As of September 30, 2015	December 31, 2014		
Revolving Secured Line of Credit				
Balance outstanding	\$—	\$119.5		
Amount available for borrowing (1)	310.0	115.5		
Interest rate	2.06	% 2.16		%
Warehouse Facility II				
Balance outstanding	\$—	\$81.3		
Amount available for borrowing (1)	400.0	243.7		
Loans pledged as collateral	—	104.1		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents pledged as collateral	1.7	2.0		
Interest rate	2.20	% 2.16		%
Warehouse Facility IV				
Balance outstanding	\$12.0	\$19.9		
Amount available for borrowing (1)	63.0	55.1		
Loans pledged as collateral	22.8	44.9		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents pledged as collateral	0.9	1.4		
Interest rate	2.19	% 2.17		%
Warehouse Facility V				
Balance outstanding	\$—	\$17.9		
Amount available for borrowing (1)	100.0	57.1		
Loans pledged as collateral	—	34.9		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents pledged as collateral	1.1	1.2		
Interest rate	1.80	% 1.77		%
Warehouse Facility VI				
Balance outstanding	\$—	\$—		
Amount available for borrowing (1)	75.0	—		
Loans pledged as collateral	—	—		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents pledged as collateral	0.1	—		
Interest rate	2.20	% —		%
Term ABS 2012-1				
Balance outstanding	\$—	\$43.8		
Loans pledged as collateral	—	145.1		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents pledged as collateral	—	19.3		
Interest rate	—	% 3.04		%
Term ABS 2012-2				
Balance outstanding	\$—	\$184.0		
Loans pledged as collateral	—	278.6		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents pledged as collateral	—	27.8		
Interest rate	—	% 1.67		%
Term ABS 2013-1				
Balance outstanding	\$74.3	\$140.3		
Loans pledged as collateral	159.1	186.7		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents pledged as collateral	16.5	16.7		
Interest rate	1.40	% 1.31		%

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Term ABS 2013-2				
Balance outstanding	\$197.8	\$197.8		
Loans pledged as collateral	246.2	248.9		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents pledged as collateral	23.4	21.2		
Interest rate	1.67	% 1.67		%
Term ABS 2014-1				
Balance outstanding	\$299.0	\$299.0		
Loans pledged as collateral	364.5	426.2		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents pledged as collateral	33.6	31.6		
Interest rate	1.72	% 1.72		%
Term ABS 2014-2				
Balance outstanding	\$349.0	\$349.0		
Loans pledged as collateral	433.2	440.7		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents pledged as collateral	38.9	36.2		
Interest rate	2.05	% 2.05		%
Term ABS 2015-1				
Balance outstanding	\$300.6	\$—		
Loans pledged as collateral	372.7	—		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents pledged as collateral	30.3	—		
Interest rate	2.26	% —		%
Term ABS 2015-2				
Balance outstanding	\$300.2	\$—		
Loans pledged as collateral	401.4	—		
Restricted cash and cash equivalents pledged as collateral	28.9	—		
Interest rate	2.63	% —		%
2021 Senior Notes				
Balance outstanding	\$300.0	\$300.0		
Interest rate	6.125	% 6.125		%
2023 Senior Notes				
Balance outstanding (2)	\$248.3	\$—		
Interest rate	7.375	% —		%

(1) Availability may be limited by the amount of assets pledged as collateral.

(2) As of September 30, 2015 the outstanding balance presented for the 2023 Senior Notes includes an unamortized debt discount of \$1.7 million.

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Revolving Secured Line of Credit Facility

We have a \$310.0 million revolving secured line of credit facility with a commercial bank syndicate. On June 11, 2015, we increased the facility limit from \$235.0 million to \$310.0 million. We also extended the maturity of the facility from June 23, 2017 to June 22, 2018. There were no other material changes to the terms of the facility.

Borrowings under the revolving secured line of credit facility, including any letters of credit issued under the facility, are subject to a borrowing-base limitation. This limitation equals 80% of the net book value of Loans, less a hedging reserve (not exceeding \$1.0 million), and the amount of other debt secured by the collateral which secures the revolving secured line of credit facility. Borrowings under the revolving secured line of credit facility agreement are secured by a lien on most of our assets.

Warehouse Facilities

We have four Warehouse facilities with total borrowing capacity of \$650.0 million. Each of the facilities are with different institutional investors. On May 13, 2015, we extended the date on which our \$75.0 million Warehouse Facility IV will cease to revolve from April 5, 2016 to April 30, 2018. On May 19, 2015, we increased the facility limit of Warehouse Facility II from \$325.0 million to \$400.0 million. On June 11, 2015, we increased the facility limit of Warehouse Facility V from \$75.0 million to \$100.0 million. There were no other material changes to the terms of the facilities. On September 30, 2015, we entered into Warehouse Facility VI, a \$75.0 million revolving secured warehouse facility. The facility will cease to revolve on September 30, 2018. Borrowings under the facility will bear interest at a rate equal to LIBOR plus 200 basis points.

Under each Warehouse facility, we can contribute Loans to our wholly-owned subsidiaries in return for cash and equity in each subsidiary. In turn, each subsidiary pledges the Loans as collateral to institutional investors to secure financing that will fund the cash portion of the purchase price of the Loans. The financing provided to each subsidiary under the applicable facility is limited to the lesser of 80% of the net book value of the contributed Loans plus the restricted cash and cash equivalents pledged as collateral on such Loans or the facility limit.

The financings create indebtedness for which the subsidiaries are liable and which is secured by all the assets of each subsidiary. Such indebtedness is non-recourse to us, even though we are consolidated for financial reporting purposes with the subsidiaries. Because the subsidiaries are organized as legal entities separate from us, their assets (including the contributed Loans) are not available to our creditors.

The subsidiaries pay us a monthly servicing fee equal to 6% of the collections received with respect to the contributed Loans. The fee is paid out of the collections. Except for the servicing fee and holdback payments due to Dealers, if a facility is amortizing, we do not have any rights in any portion of such collections until all outstanding principal, accrued and unpaid interest, fees and other related costs have been paid in full. If a facility is not amortizing, the applicable subsidiary may be entitled to retain a portion of such collections provided that the borrowing base requirements of the facility are satisfied.

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Term ABS Financings

Our wholly-owned subsidiaries (the “Funding LLCs”), have completed secured financing transactions with qualified institutional investors. In connection with these transactions, we contributed Loans on an arms-length basis to each Funding LLC for cash and the sole membership interest in that Funding LLC. In turn, each Funding LLC contributed the Loans to a respective trust that issued notes to qualified institutional investors. The Term ABS 2013-1, 2013-2, 2014-1, 2014-2, 2015-1 and 2015-2 transactions each consist of three classes of notes. The Class C Notes for each Term ABS financing, other than Term ABS 2015-1 and 2015-2, do not bear interest and have been retained by us.

Each financing at the time of issuance has a specified revolving period during which we may be required, and are likely, to contribute additional Loans to each Funding LLC. Each Funding LLC will then contribute the Loans to their respective trust. At the end of the revolving period, the debt outstanding under each financing will begin to amortize.

The financings create indebtedness for which the trusts are liable and which is secured by all the assets of each trust. Such indebtedness is non-recourse to us, even though we are consolidated for financial reporting purposes with the trusts and the Funding LLCs. Because the Funding LLCs are organized as legal entities separate from us, their assets (including the contributed Loans) are not available to our creditors. We receive a monthly servicing fee on each financing equal to 6% of the collections received with respect to the contributed Loans. The fee is paid out of the collections. Except for the servicing fee and Dealer Holdback payments due to Dealers, if a facility is amortizing, we do not have any rights in any portion of such collections until all outstanding principal, accrued and unpaid interest, fees and other related costs have been paid in full. If a facility is not amortizing, the applicable subsidiary may be entitled to retain a portion of such collections provided that the borrowing base requirements of the facility are satisfied. However, in our capacity as servicer of the Loans, we do have a limited right to exercise a “clean-up call” option to purchase Loans from the Funding LLCs and/or the trusts under certain specified circumstances. Alternatively, when a trust’s underlying indebtedness is paid in full, either through collections or through a prepayment of the indebtedness, the trust is to pay any remaining collections over to its Funding LLC as the sole beneficiary of the trust. The collections will then be available to be distributed to us as the sole member of the respective Funding LLC.

The table below sets forth certain additional details regarding the outstanding Term ABS Financings:
(Dollars in millions)

Term ABS Financings	Close Date	Net Book Value of Loans Contributed at Closing	24-month Revolving Period
Term ABS 2013-1	April 25, 2013	\$187.8	Through April 15, 2015
Term ABS 2013-2	October 31, 2013	\$250.1	Through October 15, 2015
Term ABS 2014-1	April 16, 2014	\$374.7	Through April 15, 2016
Term ABS 2014-2	September 25, 2014	\$437.6	Through September 15, 2016
Term ABS 2015-1	January 29, 2015	\$375.9	Through January 16, 2017
Term ABS 2015-2	August 20, 2015	\$375.5	Through August 15, 2017

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Senior Notes

On March 30, 2015, we issued \$250.0 million aggregate principal amount of 7.375% Senior Notes due 2023 (the “2023 senior notes”). The notes were issued pursuant to an indenture, dated as of March 30, 2015, among the Company, the Company’s subsidiaries Buyers Vehicle Protection Plan, Inc. and Vehicle Remarketing Services, Inc. (collectively, the “Guarantors”), and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee.

The 2023 senior notes mature on March 15, 2023 and bear interest at a rate of 7.375% per annum, computed on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months and payable semi-annually on March 15 and September 15 of each year, beginning on September 15, 2015. The 2023 senior notes were issued at a price of 99.266% of their aggregate principal amount, resulting in gross proceeds of \$248.2 million, and a yield to maturity of 7.5% per annum. We used the net proceeds from the offering of the notes for general corporate purposes, including repayment of outstanding borrowings under our revolving secured line of credit facility.

On January 22, 2014, we issued \$300.0 million aggregate principal amount of 6.125% senior notes due 2021 (the “2021 senior notes”). The 2021 senior notes were issued pursuant to an indenture, dated as of January 22, 2014, among the Company, the Guarantors, and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee.

The 2021 senior notes mature on February 15, 2021 and bear interest at a rate of 6.125% per annum, computed on the basis of a 360-day year composed of twelve 30-day months and payable semi-annually on February 15 and August 15 of each year, beginning on August 15, 2014. We used the net proceeds from the 2021 senior notes, together with borrowings under our revolving credit facilities, to redeem in full the \$350.0 million aggregate principal amount of our 9.125% first priority senior secured notes due 2017 (the “2017 senior notes”) on February 21, 2014. During the first quarter of 2014, we recognized a pre-tax loss on extinguishment of debt of \$21.8 million related to the redemption of the 2017 senior notes.

Both the 2021 and the 2023 senior notes (the "senior notes") are guaranteed on a senior basis by the Guarantors, which are also guarantors of obligations under our revolving secured line of credit facility. Other existing and future subsidiaries of ours may become guarantors of the senior notes in the future. The indentures for the senior notes provide for a guarantor of the senior notes to be released from its obligations under its guarantee of the senior notes under specified circumstances.

Debt Covenants

As of September 30, 2015, we were in compliance with all our debt covenants relating to the revolving secured line of credit facility, including those that require the maintenance of certain financial ratios and other financial conditions. These covenants require a minimum ratio of our earnings before interest, taxes and non-cash expenses to fixed charges. These covenants also limit the maximum ratio of our funded debt less unrestricted cash and cash equivalents to tangible net worth. Additionally, we must maintain consolidated net income of not less than \$1 for the two most recently ended fiscal quarters. Some of these debt covenants may indirectly limit the repurchase of common stock or payment of dividends on common stock.

Our Warehouse facilities and Term ABS financings also contain covenants that measure the performance of the contributed assets. As of September 30, 2015, we were in compliance with all such covenants. As of the end of the quarter, we were also in compliance with our covenants under the senior notes indentures.

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7. DERIVATIVE AND HEDGING INSTRUMENTS

Interest Rate Caps. We utilize interest rate cap agreements to manage the interest rate risk on our Warehouse facilities. The following tables provide the terms of our interest rate cap agreements that were in effect as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014:

As of September 30, 2015

Facility (in millions)	Facility Name	Purpose	Start	End	Notional (in millions)	Cap Interest Rate (1)
\$400.0	Warehouse Facility II	Cap Floating Rate	12/2014	06/2016	\$325.0	5.50 %
75.0	Warehouse Facility IV	Cap Floating Rate	03/2014	03/2017	75.0	5.50 %
100.0	Warehouse Facility V	Cap Floating Rate	06/2015	07/2018	75.0	5.50 %

As of December 31, 2014

Facility (in millions)	Facility Name	Purpose	Start	End	Notional (in millions)	Cap Interest Rate (1)
\$325.0	Warehouse Facility II	Cap Floating Rate	12/2014	06/2016	\$325.0	5.50 %
75.0	Warehouse Facility IV	Cap Floating Rate	08/2011	09/2015	29.3	5.50 %
		Cap Floating Rate	03/2014	03/2017	45.7	5.50 %
					75.0	
75.0	Warehouse Facility V	Cap Floating Rate	06/2012	07/2015	56.3	5.00 %

(1) Rate excludes the spread over the LIBOR rate or the commercial paper rate, as applicable.

The interest rate caps have not been designated as hedging instruments. As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the interest rate caps had a fair value of less than \$0.1 million as the capped rates were significantly above market rates.

8. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate their value.

Cash and Cash Equivalents and Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents. The carrying amount of cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash and cash equivalents approximate their fair value due to the short maturity of these instruments.

Restricted Securities Available for Sale. Restricted securities consist of amounts held in trusts by TPPs to pay claims on vehicle service contracts. Securities for which we do not have the intent or ability to hold to maturity are classified as available for sale and stated at fair value. The fair value of U.S. Government and agency securities and corporate bonds is based on quoted market values in active markets. For asset-backed securities and mortgage-backed securities, we use model-based valuation techniques for which all significant assumptions are observable in the

market.

Net Investment in Loans Receivable. Loans receivable, net represents our net investment in Loans. The fair value is determined by calculating the present value of future Loan payment inflows and Dealer Holdback outflows estimated by us utilizing a discount rate comparable with the rate used to calculate our allowance for credit losses.

Liabilities. The fair value of our senior notes is determined using quoted market prices in an active market. The fair value of our Term ABS financings is also determined using quoted market prices, however, these instruments trade in a market with a lower trading volume. For our revolving secured line of credit and our Warehouse facilities, the fair values are calculated using the estimated value of each debt instrument based on current rates for debt with similar risk profiles and maturities.

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A comparison of the carrying value and estimated fair value of these financial instruments is as follows:
(In millions)

	As of September 30, 2015		As of December 31, 2014	
	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value	Carrying Amount	Estimated Fair Value
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$134.7	\$134.7	\$6.4	\$6.4
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	176.0	176.0	157.6	157.6
Restricted securities available for sale	50.5	50.5	53.2	53.2
Net investment in Loans receivable	2,959.5	2,977.2	2,512.9	2,517.3
Liabilities				
Revolving secured line of credit	\$—	\$—	\$119.5	\$119.5
Secured financing	1,532.9	1,532.6	1,333.0	1,334.7
Senior notes	548.3	557.9	300.0	299.3

Fair value is an exit price, representing the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants. As such, fair value is a market-based measurement that should be determined based on assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability. We group assets and liabilities at fair value in three levels, based on the markets in which the assets and liabilities are traded and the reliability of the assumptions used to determine fair value. These levels are:

Level 1	Valuation is based upon quoted prices for identical instruments traded in active markets.
Level 2	Valuation is based upon quoted prices for similar instruments in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active, and model-based valuation techniques for which all significant assumptions are observable in the market.
Level 3	Valuation is generated from model-based techniques that use at least one significant assumption not observable in the market. These unobservable assumptions reflect estimates or assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability.

The following table provides the level of measurement used to determine the fair value for each of our financial instruments on a recurring basis, as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014:
(In millions)

	As of September 30, 2015			Total Fair Value
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$134.7	\$—	\$—	\$134.7
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	176.0	—	—	176.0
Restricted securities available for sale	40.8	9.7	—	50.5
Net investment in Loans receivable	—	—	2,977.2	2,977.2
Liabilities				
Secured financing	\$—	\$1,532.6	\$—	\$1,532.6
Senior notes	557.9	—	—	557.9

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(In millions)

	As of December 31, 2014			Total Fair Value
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$6.4	\$—	\$—	\$6.4
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	157.6	—	—	157.6
Restricted securities available for sale	47.8	5.4	—	53.2
Net investment in Loans receivable	—	—	2,517.3	2,517.3
Liabilities				
Revolving secured line of credit	\$—	\$119.5	\$—	\$119.5
Secured financing	—	1,334.7	—	1,334.7
Senior notes	299.3	—	—	299.3

9. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In the normal course of our business, affiliated Dealers assign Consumer Loans to us under the Portfolio and Purchase Programs. Dealer Loans and Purchased Loans with affiliated Dealers are on the same terms as those with non-affiliated Dealers. Affiliated Dealers are comprised of Dealers owned or controlled by: (1) our Chairman and significant shareholder; and (2) a member of the Chairman's immediate family.

Affiliated Dealer Loan balances were \$9.5 million and \$8.7 million as of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, respectively. As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, affiliated Dealer Loan balances were 0.3% and 0.4% of total consolidated Dealer Loan balances, respectively. A summary of related party Loan activity is as follows:

(Dollars in millions)	For the Three Months Ended September 30,					
	2015			2014		
	Affiliated Dealer activity	% of consolidated		Affiliated Dealer activity	% of consolidated	
Dealer Loan revenue	\$0.5	0.3	%	\$0.4	0.3	%
New Consumer Loan assignments (1)	1.1	0.2	%	0.9	0.2	%
Accelerated Dealer Holdback payments	—	—	%	—	—	%
Dealer Holdback payments	0.3	0.8	%	0.3	0.9	%
(Dollars in millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,					
	2015			2014		
	Affiliated Dealer activity	% of consolidated		Affiliated Dealer activity	% of consolidated	
Dealer Loan revenue	\$1.4	0.3	%	\$1.2	0.3	%
New Consumer Loan assignments (1)	3.6	0.2	%	3.0	0.2	%
Accelerated Dealer Holdback payments	0.1	0.3	%	0.1	0.3	%
Dealer Holdback payments	1.0	0.9	%	1.1	1.1	%

(1) Represents advances paid to Dealers on Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio Program and one-time payments made to Dealers to purchase Consumer Loans assigned under our Purchase Program.

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10. INCOME TAXES

A reconciliation of the U.S. federal statutory rate to our effective tax rate is as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended		
	September 30,		September 30,		
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
U.S. federal statutory rate	35.0	% 35.0	% 35.0	% 35.0	%
State income taxes	1.8	% 0.9	% 1.8	% 1.5	%
Other	0.4	% -0.1	% 0.2	% 0.1	%
Effective tax rate	37.2	% 35.8	% 37.0	% 36.6	%

The differences between the U.S. federal statutory rate and our effective tax rate are primarily due to state income taxes. The increases in the effective tax rates for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015 compared to the same periods in 2014 were primarily due to higher effective tax rates in certain state tax jurisdictions.

11. NET INCOME PER SHARE

Basic net income per share has been computed by dividing net income by the basic number of weighted average shares outstanding. Diluted net income per share has been computed by dividing net income by the diluted number of weighted average shares outstanding using the treasury stock method. The share effect is as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Weighted average shares outstanding:				
Common shares	20,414,667	21,402,969	20,413,238	21,978,263
Vested restricted stock units	532,160	485,622	525,609	772,605
Basic number of weighted average shares outstanding	20,946,827	21,888,591	20,938,847	22,750,868
Dilutive effect of stock options	—	—	—	4,393
Dilutive effect of restricted stock and restricted stock units	5,884	6,631	10,661	20,936
Dilutive number of weighted average shares outstanding	20,952,711	21,895,222	20,949,508	22,776,197

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014, there were no restricted stock or restricted stock units that would have been anti-dilutive.

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12. STOCK REPURCHASES

Our board of directors approved a stock repurchase program which authorizes us to repurchase common shares in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions at price levels we deem attractive. On March 7, 2013, the board of directors authorized the repurchase of up to one million shares of our common stock in addition to the board's prior authorizations. As of September 30, 2015, we had authorization to repurchase 324,456 shares of our common stock.

The following table summarizes our stock repurchases for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014:

(Dollars in millions)	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2015		2014	
	Number of	Cost	Number of	Cost
Stock Repurchases	Shares		Shares	
	Repurchased		Repurchased	
Tender Offer (1)	—	\$—	1,553,170	\$200.3
Other (2)	6,065	1.1	137,876	18.4
Total	6,065	\$1.1	1,691,046	\$218.7

(1) Tender Offer Cost amounts include offering costs of \$0.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

(2) Represents shares of common stock released to us as payment of tax withholdings due to us upon the vesting of restricted stock and restricted stock units.

13. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION PLANS

Stock-based compensation expense consists of the following:

(In millions)	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2015	2014	2015	2014
Restricted stock	\$0.8	\$0.6	\$2.5	\$2.2
Restricted stock units	2.5	1.2	7.5	7.4
Total	\$3.3	\$1.8	\$10.0	\$9.6

14. LITIGATION AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

In the normal course of business and as a result of the consumer-oriented nature of the industry in which we operate, industry participants are frequently subject to various consumer claims, litigation and regulatory investigations seeking damages, fines and statutory penalties. The claims allege, among other theories of liability, violations of state, federal and foreign truth-in-lending, credit availability, credit reporting, consumer protection, warranty, debt collection, insurance and other consumer-oriented laws and regulations, including claims seeking damages for physical and mental damages relating to our repossession and sale of the consumer's vehicle and other debt collection activities. As the assignee of Consumer Loans originated by Dealers, we may also be named as a co-defendant in lawsuits filed by consumers principally against Dealers. We may also have disputes and litigation with Dealers. The claims may allege, among other theories of liability, that we breached our Dealer servicing agreement. Many of these cases are filed as purported class actions and seek damages in large dollar amounts. An adverse ultimate disposition in any action to which we are a party or otherwise subject could have a material adverse impact on our financial position,

liquidity and results of operations. The following matters include current actions to which we are a party and updates to matters that were disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2014.

On September 18, 2015, we received a subpoena from the Attorney General of the State of New York, Civil Rights Bureau relating to the Company's origination and collection of Consumer Loans in the state of New York. We are cooperating with the inquiry and cannot predict the eventual scope, duration or outcome at this time. As a result, we are unable to estimate the reasonably possible loss or range of reasonably possible loss arising from this investigation.

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On December 9, 2014, we received a civil investigative subpoena from the U.S. Department of Justice pursuant to the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 directing us to produce certain information relating to subprime automotive finance and related securitization activities. We are cooperating with the inquiry and cannot predict the eventual scope, duration or outcome at this time. As a result, we are unable to estimate the reasonably possible loss or range of reasonably possible loss arising from this investigation.

On December 4, 2014, we received a civil investigative demand from the Office of the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts relating to the origination and collection of non-prime auto loans in Massachusetts. We are cooperating with the inquiry and cannot predict the eventual scope, duration or outcome at this time. As a result, we are unable to estimate the reasonably possible loss or range of reasonably possible loss arising from this investigation.

On June 6, 2014, we received a civil investigative demand from the Federal Trade Commission (the "Commission") relating to our various practices regarding consumers. On March 16, 2015, the Commission staff notified the Company that it had determined that no further action was warranted by the Commission and that the investigation into the Company had been closed.

On February 1, 2013, six Dealers, who had previously commenced a putative consolidated arbitration proceeding against the Company before the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") that was deemed not properly filed by the AAA on October 9, 2012, filed individual arbitrations against the Company before the AAA in Southfield, Michigan. These arbitration demands seek unspecified money damages for claims relating to the Dealer servicing agreements of these Dealers. One of these matters was voluntarily dismissed with prejudice on January 20, 2015. The Company intends to vigorously defend itself in the remaining five arbitrations. Based on information currently available, we believe that the eventual outcome will not have a material adverse effect on our consolidated financial statements.

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion and analysis should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and related notes included in Item 8 - Financial Statements and Supplementary Data, of our 2014 Annual Report on Form 10-K, as well as Item 1- Consolidated Financial Statements, of this Form 10-Q, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Overview

We offer automobile dealers financing programs that enable them to sell vehicles to consumers regardless of their credit history. Our financing programs are offered through a nationwide network of automobile dealers who benefit from sales of vehicles to consumers who otherwise could not obtain financing; from repeat and referral sales generated by these same customers; and from sales to customers responding to advertisements for our product, but who actually end up qualifying for traditional financing.

For the three months ended September 30, 2015, consolidated net income was \$74.0 million, or \$3.53 per diluted share, compared to \$74.0 million, or \$3.38 per diluted share, for the same period in 2014. Consolidated net income for

the three months ended September 30, 2015 was consistent with the same period in 2014, primarily due to higher finance charges as a result of an increase in the average balance of our Loan portfolio, offset by higher operating expenses, provision for credit losses and interest expense. For the nine months ended September 30, 2015, consolidated net income was \$219.7 million, or \$10.49 per diluted share, compared to \$193.2 million, or \$8.48 per diluted share, for the same period in 2014. The increase in consolidated net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2015 was primarily due to a loss on extinguishment of debt related to the redemption of senior notes in the first quarter of 2014 and an increase in the average balance of our Loan portfolio.

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Critical Success Factors

Critical success factors include our ability to accurately forecast Consumer Loan performance, access capital on acceptable terms, and maintain or grow Consumer Loan volume at the level and on the terms that we anticipate, with an objective to maximize economic profit. Economic profit is a financial metric we use to evaluate our financial results and determine incentive compensation. Economic profit measures how efficiently we utilize our total capital, both debt and equity, and is a function of the return on capital in excess of the cost of capital and the amount of capital invested in the business.

Consumer Loan Performance

At the time a Consumer Loan is submitted to us for assignment, we forecast future expected cash flows from the Consumer Loan. Based on the amount and timing of these forecasts and expected expense levels, an advance or one-time purchase payment is made to the related Dealer at a price designed to achieve an acceptable return on capital. If Consumer Loan performance equals or exceeds our initial expectation, it is likely our expected return on capital will be achieved.

We use a statistical model to estimate the expected collection rate for each Consumer Loan at the time of assignment. We continue to evaluate the expected collection rate of each Consumer Loan subsequent to assignment. Our evaluation becomes more accurate as the Consumer Loans age, as we use actual performance data in our forecast. By comparing our current expected collection rate for each Consumer Loan with the rate we projected at the time of assignment, we are able to assess the accuracy of our initial forecast. The following table compares our forecast of Consumer Loan collection rates as of September 30, 2015, with the forecasts as of June 30, 2015, as of December 31, 2014, and at the time of assignment, segmented by year of assignment:

Consumer Loan Assignment Year	Forecasted Collection Percentage as of (1)				Variance in Forecasted Collection Percentage from			
	September 30, 2015	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014	Initial Forecast	June 30, 2015	December 31, 2014	Initial Forecast	
2006	70.1	% 70.1	% 70.0	% 71.4	% 0.0	% 0.1	% -1.3	%
2007	68.1	% 68.1	% 68.0	% 70.7	% 0.0	% 0.1	% -2.6	%
2008	70.3	% 70.3	% 70.3	% 69.7	% 0.0	% 0.0	% 0.6	%
2009	79.4	% 79.4	% 79.4	% 71.9	% 0.0	% 0.0	% 7.5	%
2010	77.4	% 77.4	% 77.2	% 73.6	% 0.0	% 0.2	% 3.8	%
2011	74.2	% 74.2	% 74.0	% 72.5	% 0.0	% 0.2	% 1.7	%
2012	73.2	% 73.3	% 73.4	% 71.4	% -0.1	% -0.2	% 1.8	%
2013	73.5	% 73.5	% 73.7	% 72.0	% 0.0	% -0.2	% 1.5	%
2014	72.8	% 72.8	% 72.6	% 71.8	% 0.0	% 0.2	% 1.0	%
2015 (2)	68.2	% 68.9	% —	68.1	% -0.7	% —	0.1	%

Represents the total forecasted collections we expect to collect on the Consumer Loans as a percentage of the (1) repayments that we were contractually owed on the Consumer Loans at the time of assignment. Contractual repayments include both principal and interest.

The forecasted collection rate for 2015 Consumer Loans as of September 30, 2015 includes both Consumer Loans (2) that were in our portfolio as of June 30, 2015 and Consumer Loans assigned during the most recent quarter. The following table provides forecasted collection rates for each of these segments:

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2015 Consumer Loan Assignment Period	Forecasted Collection Percentage as of			Variance from		
	September 30, 2015	June 30, 2015	Initial Forecast	June 30, 2015	Initial Forecast	
January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015	69.0	% 68.9	% 68.6	% 0.1	% 0.4	%
July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015	66.5	% —	—	—	—	

Consumer Loans assigned in 2009 through 2014 have yielded forecasted collection results materially better than our initial estimates, while Consumer Loans assigned in 2006 and 2007 have yielded forecasted collection results materially worse than our initial estimates. For Consumer Loans assigned in 2008 and 2015, actual results have been very close to our initial estimates. For the three months ended September 30, 2015, forecasted collection rates were generally consistent with expectations at the start of the period for all assignment years presented. For the nine months ended September 30, 2015, forecasted collection rates improved for Consumer Loans assigned in 2010, 2011 and 2014, declined for Consumer Loans assigned in 2012 and 2013, and were generally consistent with expectations at the start of the period for all other assignment years presented.

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The initial forecast for Consumer Loans assigned in the first nine months of 2015 was lower than the initial forecast for Consumer Loans assigned in 2014. The lower initial forecast reflects a change in the mix of Consumer Loan assignments received during the first nine months of 2015, including a longer average initial loan term. The average initial term for Consumer Loans assigned in the first nine months of 2015 was 49.7 months as compared to 46.9 months for Consumer Loans assigned in 2014.

The initial forecast for Consumer Loans assigned in the third quarter of 2015 was lower than the initial forecast for Consumer Loans assigned in the first six months of 2015. The lower initial forecast reflects a change in the mix of Consumer Loan assignments received during the third quarter of 2015.

Forecasting collection rates accurately at Loan inception is difficult. With this in mind, we establish advance rates that are intended to allow us to achieve acceptable levels of profitability, even if collection rates are less than we initially forecast.

The following table presents forecasted Consumer Loan collection rates, advance rates, the spread (the forecasted collection rate less the advance rate), and the percentage of the forecasted collections that had been realized as of September 30, 2015. All amounts, unless otherwise noted, are presented as a percentage of the initial balance of the Consumer Loan (principal + interest). The table includes both Dealer Loans and Purchased Loans.

Consumer Loan Assignment Year	As of September 30, 2015				% of Forecast Realized (2)
	Forecasted Collection %	Advance % (1)	Spread %		
2006	70.1	% 46.6	% 23.5	% 99.8	%
2007	68.1	% 46.5	% 21.6	% 99.5	%
2008	70.3	% 44.6	% 25.7	% 99.2	%
2009	79.4	% 43.9	% 35.5	% 99.2	%
2010	77.4	% 44.7	% 32.7	% 98.7	%
2011	74.2	% 45.5	% 28.7	% 96.5	%
2012	73.2	% 46.3	% 26.9	% 88.1	%
2013	73.5	% 47.6	% 25.9	% 70.0	%
2014	72.8	% 47.7	% 25.1	% 43.2	%
2015 (3)	68.2	% 44.8	% 23.4	% 12.5	%

(1) Represents advances paid to Dealers on Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio Program and one-time payments made to Dealers to purchase Consumer Loans assigned under our Purchase Program as a percentage of the initial balance of the Consumer Loans. Payments of Dealer Holdback and accelerated Dealer Holdback are not included.

(2) Presented as a percentage of total forecasted collections.

(3) The forecasted collection rate, advance rate and spread for 2015 Consumer Loans as of September 30, 2015 include both Consumer Loans that were in our portfolio as of June 30, 2015 and Consumer Loans assigned during the most recent quarter. The following table provides forecasted collection rates, advance rates and spreads for each of these segments:

2015 Consumer Loan Assignment Period	As of September 30, 2015		
	Forecasted Collection %	Advance %	Spread %

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January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015	69.0	% 45.3	% 23.7	%
July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015	66.5	% 43.7	% 22.8	%

The risk of a material change in our forecasted collection rate declines as the Consumer Loans age. For 2011 and prior Consumer Loan assignments, the risk of a material forecast variance is modest, as we have currently realized in excess of 90% of the expected collections. Conversely, the forecasted collection rates for more recent Consumer Loan assignments are less certain as a significant portion of our forecast has not been realized.

The spread between the forecasted collection rate and the advance rate has ranged from 21.6% to 35.5% over the last 10 years. The spread was at the high end of this range in 2009 and 2010, when the competitive environment was unusually favorable and much lower during other years (2006, 2007, 2014 and 2015) when competition was more intense. The spread declined from 25.1% in 2014 to 23.4% through the first nine months of 2015 as a result in a change in the mix of Consumer Loan assignments and the performance of 2014 Consumer Loans, which has exceeded our initial estimates by a greater margin than 2015 Consumer Loans.

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The decline in the advance rate from the first six months of 2015 to the third quarter of 2015 reflects a change in the mix of Consumer Loan assignments received during the third quarter of 2015. The decline in the spread from the first six months of 2015 to the third quarter of 2015 was primarily the result of the performance of Consumer Loans assigned during the first six months of 2015 exceeding the performance of Consumer Loans assigned during the third quarter of 2015.

The following table presents forecasted Consumer Loan collection rates, advance rates, and the spread (the forecasted collection rate less the advance rate) as of September 30, 2015 for Dealer Loans and Purchased Loans separately. All amounts are presented as a percentage of the initial balance of the Consumer Loan (principal + interest).

	Consumer Loan Assignment Year	Forecasted Collection % (1)	Advance % (1)(2)	Spread %	
Dealer Loans	2007	68.0	% 45.8	% 22.2	%
	2008	70.7	% 43.3	% 27.4	%
	2009	79.4	% 43.4	% 36.0	%
	2010	77.4	% 44.4	% 33.0	%
	2011	74.1	% 45.2	% 28.9	%
	2012	73.2	% 46.1	% 27.1	%
	2013	73.5	% 47.1	% 26.4	%
	2014	72.6	% 47.2	% 25.4	%
	2015	67.7	% 43.8	% 23.9	%
Purchased Loans	2007	68.4	% 49.1	% 19.3	%
	2008	69.6	% 46.7	% 22.9	%
	2009	79.6	% 45.3	% 34.3	%
	2010	77.2	% 46.2	% 31.0	%
	2011	74.5	% 47.5	% 27.0	%
	2012	73.5	% 47.9	% 25.6	%
	2013	73.2	% 50.2	% 23.0	%
	2014	73.6	% 51.6	% 22.0	%
	2015	71.0	% 50.3	% 20.7	%

(1) The forecasted collection rates and advance rates presented for each Consumer Loan assignment year change over time due to the impact of transfers between Dealer and Purchased Loans. Under our Portfolio Program, certain events may result in Dealers forfeiting their rights to Dealer Holdback. We transfer the Dealer's Consumer Loans from the Dealer Loan portfolio to the Purchased Loan portfolio in the period this forfeiture occurs.

(2) Represents advances paid to Dealers on Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio Program and one-time payments made to Dealers to purchase Consumer Loans assigned under our Purchase Program as a percentage of the initial balance of the Consumer Loans. Payments of Dealer Holdback and accelerated Dealer Holdback are not included.

Although the advance rate on Purchased Loans is higher as compared to the advance rate on Dealer Loans, Purchased Loans do not require us to pay Dealer Holdback.

Access to Capital

Our strategy for accessing capital on acceptable terms needed to maintain and grow the business is to: (1) maintain consistent financial performance; (2) maintain modest financial leverage; and (3) maintain multiple funding sources. Our funded debt to equity ratio was 2.2:1 as of September 30, 2015. We currently utilize the following primary forms of debt financing: (1) a revolving secured line of credit; (2) Warehouse facilities; (3) Term ABS financings; and (4) senior notes.

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Consumer Loan Volume

The following table summarizes changes in Consumer Loan assignment volume in each of the last seven quarters as compared to the same period in the previous year:

Three Months Ended	Year over Year Percent Change		
	Unit Volume	Dollar Volume (1)	
March 31, 2014	14.3	% 16.2	%
June 30, 2014	4.5	% 5.7	%
September 30, 2014	4.7	% 6.1	%
December 31, 2014	19.4	% 25.4	%
March 31, 2015	28.4	% 32.5	%
June 30, 2015	30.6	% 28.6	%
September 30, 2015	41.3	% 32.9	%

Represents advances paid to Dealers on Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio Program and one-time (1) payments made to Dealers to purchase Consumer Loans assigned under our Purchase Program. Payments of Dealer Holdback and accelerated Dealer Holdback are not included.

Consumer Loan assignment volumes depend on a number of factors including (1) the overall demand for our product, (2) the amount of capital available to fund new Loans, and (3) our assessment of the volume that our infrastructure can support. Our pricing strategy is intended to maximize the amount of economic profit we generate, within the confines of capital and infrastructure constraints.

Unit and dollar volumes grew 41.3% and 32.9%, respectively, during the third quarter of 2015 as the number of active Dealers grew 27.5% and average volume per active Dealer grew 10.6%. Dollar volume grew slower than unit volume during the third quarter of 2015 due to a decline in the average advance paid per unit. This decline was the result of a decrease in the average advance rate due to a decrease in the average initial forecast of the Consumer Loans assigned, partially offset by an increase in the average size of the Consumer Loans assigned primarily due to an increase in the average initial loan term.

The following table summarizes the changes in Consumer Loan unit volume and active Dealers:

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,			For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2015	2014	% Change	2015	2014	% Change	
Consumer Loan unit volume	73,614	52,086	41.3	% 223,948	168,282	33.1	%
Active Dealers (1)	6,406	5,023	27.5	% 8,061	6,556	23.0	%
Average volume per active Dealer	11.5	10.4	10.6	% 27.8	25.7	8.2	%

(1) Active Dealers are Dealers who have received funding for at least one Loan during the period.

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The following table provides additional information on the changes in Consumer Loan unit volume and active Dealers:

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,			For the Nine Months Ended September 30,			
	2015	2014	% Change	2015	2014	% Change	
Consumer Loan unit volume from Dealers active both periods	50,488	44,964	12.3 %	177,793	154,027	15.4 %	
Dealers active both periods	3,633	3,633	-	4,898	4,898	-	
Average volume per Dealers active both periods	13.9	12.4	12.3 %	36.3	31.4	15.4 %	
Consumer Loan unit volume from new Dealers	4,354	2,594	67.8 %	30,392	17,180	76.9 %	
New active Dealers (1)	863	628	37.4 %	2,474	1,774	39.5 %	
Average volume per new active Dealers	5.0	4.1	22.0 %	12.3	9.7	26.8 %	
Attrition (2)	-13.7 %	-16.0 %		-8.5 %	-8.5 %		

(1) New active Dealers are Dealers who enrolled in our program and have received funding for their first Loan from us during the period.

(2) Attrition is measured according to the following formula: decrease in Consumer Loan unit volume from Dealers who have received funding for at least one Loan during the comparable period of the prior year but did not receive funding for any Loans during the current period divided by prior year comparable period Consumer Loan unit volume.

Consumer Loans are assigned to us as either Dealer Loans through our Portfolio Program or Purchased Loans through our Purchase Program. The following table summarizes the portion of our Consumer Loan volume that was assigned to us as Dealer Loans:

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2015	2014	2015	2014	
Dealer Loan unit volume as a percentage of total unit volume	87.3 %	90.5 %	87.9 %	91.3 %	
Dealer Loan dollar volume as a percentage of total dollar volume (1)	82.2 %	87.5 %	83.7 %	88.5 %	

Represents advances paid to Dealers on Consumer Loans assigned under our Portfolio Program and one-time (1) payments made to Dealers to purchase Consumer Loans assigned under our Purchase Program. Payments of Dealer Holdback and accelerated Dealer Holdback are not included.

As of September 30, 2015 and December 31, 2014, the net Dealer Loans receivable balance was 84.6% and 87.2%, respectively, of the total net Loans receivable balance.

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Results of Operations

Three Months Ended September 30, 2015 Compared to Three Months Ended September 30, 2014

The following is a discussion of our results of operations and income statement data on a consolidated basis.

(In millions, except share and per share data)	For the Three Months Ended			
	September 30, 2015	2014	% Change	
Revenue:				
Finance charges	\$186.2	\$158.0	17.8	%
Premiums earned	12.0	12.7	-5.5	%
Other income	12.0	11.0	9.1	%
Total revenue	210.2	181.7	15.7	%
Costs and expenses:				
Salaries and wages	28.6	22.0	30.0	%
General and administrative	9.8	8.7	12.6	%
Sales and marketing	11.9	8.7	36.8	%
Provision for credit losses	13.2	4.1	222.0	%
Interest	20.4	13.5	51.1	%
Provision for claims	8.4	9.4	-10.6	%
Total costs and expenses	92.3	66.4	39.0	%
Income before provision for income taxes	117.9	115.3	2.3	%
Provision for income taxes	43.9	41.3	6.3	%
Net income	\$74.0	\$74.0	—	%
Net income per share:				
Basic	\$3.53	\$3.38	4.4	%
Diluted	\$3.53	\$3.38	4.4	%
Weighted average shares outstanding:				
Basic	20,946,827	21,888,591	-4.3	%
Diluted	20,952,711	21,895,222	-4.3	%

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The following table highlights changes in net income for the three months ended September 30, 2015, as compared to 2014:

(In millions)	Change
Net income for the three months ended September 30, 2014	\$74.0
Increase in finance charges	28.2
Decrease in premiums earned	(0.7)
Increase in other income	1.0
Increase in operating expenses (1)	(10.9)
Increase in provision for credit losses	(9.1)
Increase in interest	(6.9)
Decrease in provision for claims	1.0
Increase in provision for income taxes	(2.6)
Net income for the three months ended September 30, 2015	\$74.0

(1) Operating expenses consist of salaries and wages, general and administrative, and sales and marketing expenses.

Finance Charges. For the three months ended September 30, 2015, finance charges increased \$28.2 million, or 17.8%, as compared to the same period in 2014. The increase was primarily the result of an increase in the average net Loans receivable balance partially offset by a decrease in the average yield on our Loan portfolio, as follows:

(Dollars in millions)	For the Three Months Ended September 30,			
	2015	2014	Change	
Average net Loans receivable balance	\$2,892.1	\$2,378.8	\$513.3	
Average yield on our Loan portfolio	25.8	% 26.6	% -0.8	%

The following table summarizes the impact each component had on the overall increase in finance charges for the three months ended September 30, 2015:

(In millions)	Year over Year Change For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2015
Impact on finance charges:	
Due to an increase in the average net Loans receivable balance	\$34.1
Due to a decrease in the average yield	(5.9)
Total increase in finance charges	\$28.2

The increase in the average net Loans receivable balance was primarily due to the year-over-year growth in Consumer Loan assignment volume in recent years. The average yield on our Loan portfolio for the three months ended September 30, 2015 decreased as compared to the same period in 2014 due to lower yields on new Consumer Loan assignments.

Premiums Earned. For the three months ended September 30, 2015, premiums earned decreased \$0.7 million, or 5.5%, as compared to the same period in 2014. The decrease was primarily due to a decrease in the size of our reinsurance portfolio, which was the result of a decline in premiums written on vehicle service contracts. While we have experienced year-over-year growth in Consumer Loan assignment volume in recent years, the percentage of Consumer Loan assignments with reinsured vehicle service contracts has declined.

Other Income. For the three months ended September 30, 2015, other income increased \$1.0 million, or 9.1%, as compared to the same period in 2014. The increase in other income was primarily due to an increase in Global Positioning Systems with Starter Interrupt Devices (GPS-SID) fee income due to an increase in the number of units purchased by Dealers from third party providers, which was primarily the result of current year growth in Consumer Loan assignment volume.

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Operating Expenses. For the three months ended September 30, 2015, operating expenses increased \$10.9 million, or 27.7%, as compared to the same period in 2014. The increase in operating expenses was primarily due to the following:

• An increase in salaries and wages expense of \$6.6 million, or 30.0%, comprised of the following:

• An increase of \$2.9 million in cash-based incentive compensation expense primarily due to a year-over-year improvement in Company performance measures.

• An increase of \$1.5 million in stock-based compensation expense primarily due to amounts recorded in the prior year related to a change in the expected vesting period of performance-based stock awards.

Excluding the increase in cash-based incentive compensation and stock-based compensation expense, salaries and wages expense increased \$2.2 million primarily related to increases of \$1.6 million for our support function and \$0.4 million for our originations function.

An increase in sales and marketing expense of \$3.2 million, or 36.8%, primarily as a result of an increase in sales commissions related to growth in Consumer Loan assignment volume and an increase in the base salaries of our sales force.

Provision for Credit Losses. For the three months ended September 30, 2015, the provision for credit losses increased \$9.1 million, or 222.0%, as compared to the same period in 2014. Under GAAP, when the present value of forecasted future cash flows decline relative to our expectations at the time of assignment, a provision for credit losses is recorded immediately as a current period expense and a corresponding allowance for credit losses is established. For purposes of calculating the required allowance, Dealer Loans are grouped by Dealer and Purchased Loans are grouped by month of purchase. As a result, regardless of the overall performance of the portfolio of Consumer Loans, a provision can be required if any individual Loan pool performs worse than expected. Conversely, a previously recorded provision can be reversed if any previously impaired individual Loan pool experiences an improvement in performance.

During the three months ended September 30, 2015, overall Consumer Loan performance was generally consistent with our expectations at the start of the period. However, the performance of certain Loan pools declined from our expectations during the period, resulting in a provision for credit losses of \$13.2 million for the three months ended September 30, 2015, of which \$13.4 million related to Dealer Loans partially offset by a reversal of \$0.2 million related to Purchased Loans. During the three months ended September 30, 2014, overall Consumer Loan performance exceeded our expectations at the start of the period. However, the performance of certain Loan pools declined from our expectations during the period, resulting in a provision for credit losses of \$4.1 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014, of which \$4.0 million related to Dealer Loans and \$0.1 million related to Purchased Loans.

Interest. For the three months ended September 30, 2015, interest expense increased \$6.9 million, or 51.1%, as compared to the same period in 2014. The following table shows interest expense, the average outstanding debt balance, and the average cost of debt for the three months ended September 30, 2015 and 2014:

(Dollars in millions)	For the Three Months Ended			
	September 30,			
	2015	2014		
Interest expense	\$20.4	\$13.5		
Average outstanding debt balance	2,001.5	1,626.6		
Average cost of debt	4.1	% 3.3	%	%

The increase in interest expense was primarily due to an increase in the average outstanding debt balance and an increase in our average cost of debt. The average outstanding debt balance increased compared to the same period in 2014 due to debt proceeds used to fund the growth in Consumer Loan assignment volume and stock repurchases. The increase in our average cost of debt was primarily a result of a change in the mix of our outstanding debt.

Provision for Claims. For the three months ended September 30, 2015, provision for claims decreased \$1.0 million, or 10.6%, as compared to the same period in 2014. The decrease was due to a decrease in the size of our reinsurance portfolio and a decrease in claims paid per reinsured vehicle service contract.

Provision for Income Taxes. For the three months ended September 30, 2015, the effective tax rate increased to 37.2% from 35.8% in the same period in 2014. The increase was primarily due to higher effective tax rates in certain state tax jurisdictions.

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Nine Months Ended September 30, 2015 Compared to Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014

The following is a discussion of our results of operations and income statement data on a consolidated basis.

(In millions, except share and per share data)	For the Nine Months Ended			
	2015	2014	% Change	
Revenue:				
Finance charges	\$536.3	\$468.7	14.4	%
Premiums earned	36.7	39.5	-7.1	%
Other income	34.5	30.2	14.2	%
Total revenue	607.5	538.4	12.8	%
Costs and expenses:				
Salaries and wages	87.5	72.0	21.5	%
General and administrative	28.0	25.4	10.2	%
Sales and marketing	34.5	27.1	27.3	%
Provision for credit losses	27.8	13.4	107.5	%
Interest	54.9	42.8	28.3	%
Provision for claims	26.2	31.4	-16.6	%
Loss on extinguishment of debt	—	21.8	-100.0	%
Total costs and expenses	258.9	233.9	10.7	%
Income before provision for income taxes	348.6	304.5	14.5	%
Provision for income taxes	128.9	111.3	15.8	%
Net income	\$219.7	\$193.2	13.7	%
Net income per share:				
Basic	\$10.49	\$8.49	23.6	%
Diluted	\$10.49	\$		