



2007 Credit Markets Symposium – Leveraged Loan Market Overview

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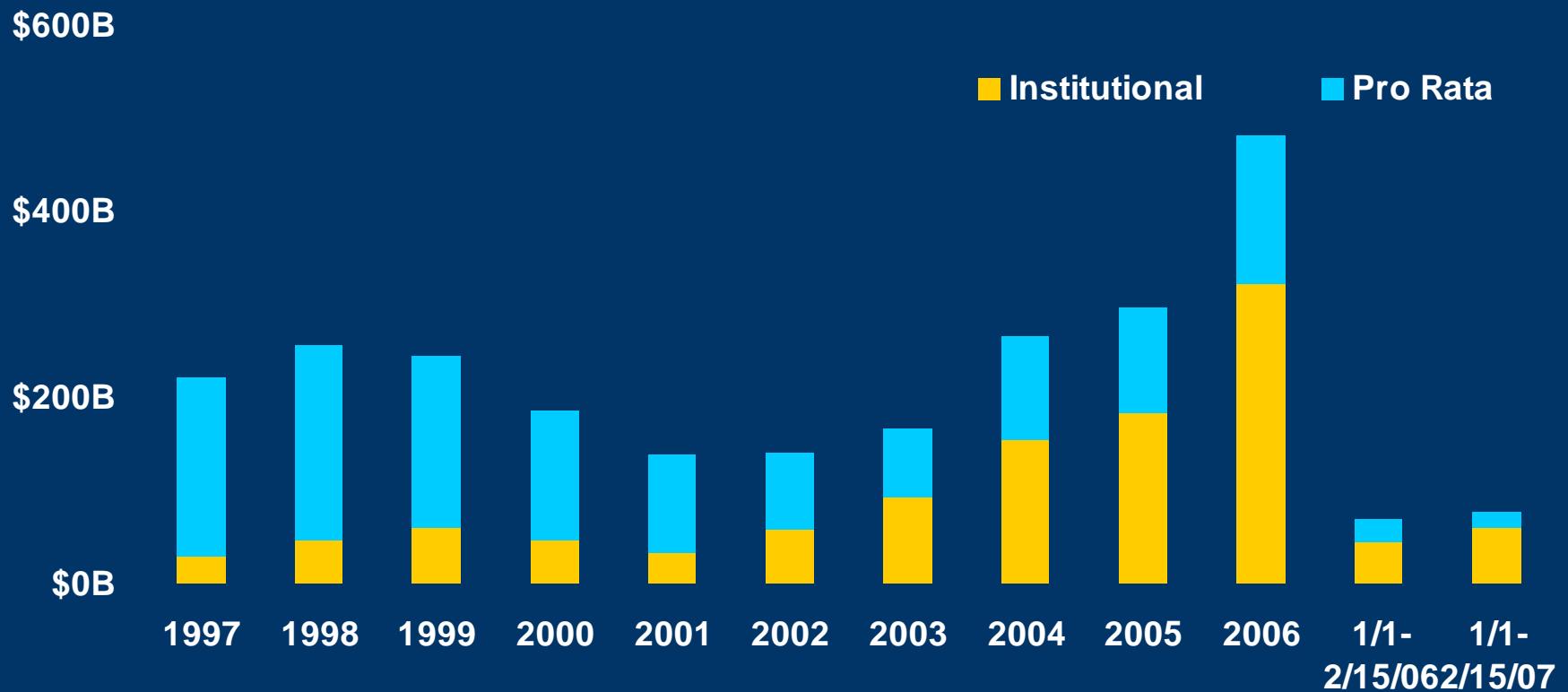


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Volume Trends



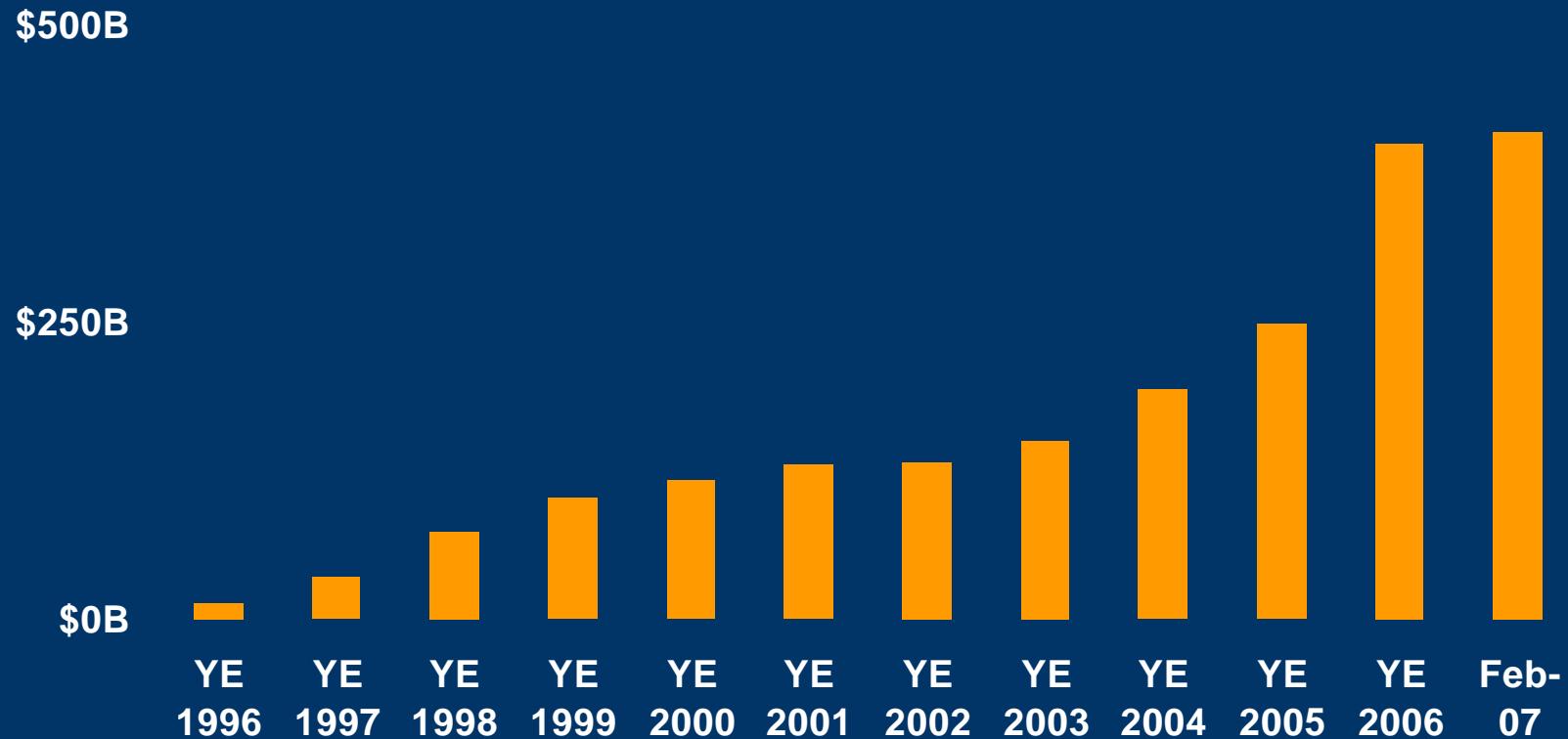
U.S. New-Issue Leveraged Loan Volume



Source: Standard & Poor's LCD



Par Amount of Outstanding Institutional Loans



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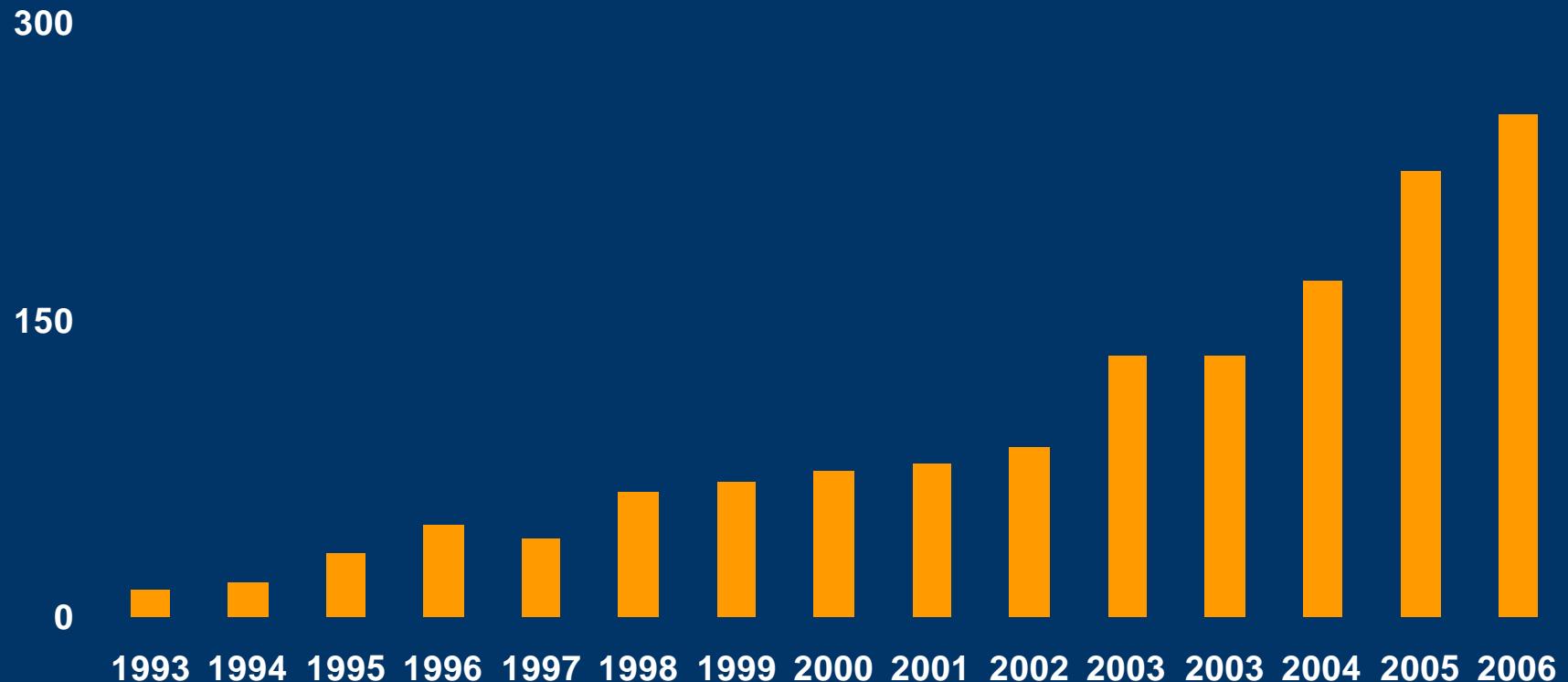


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Investor Trends



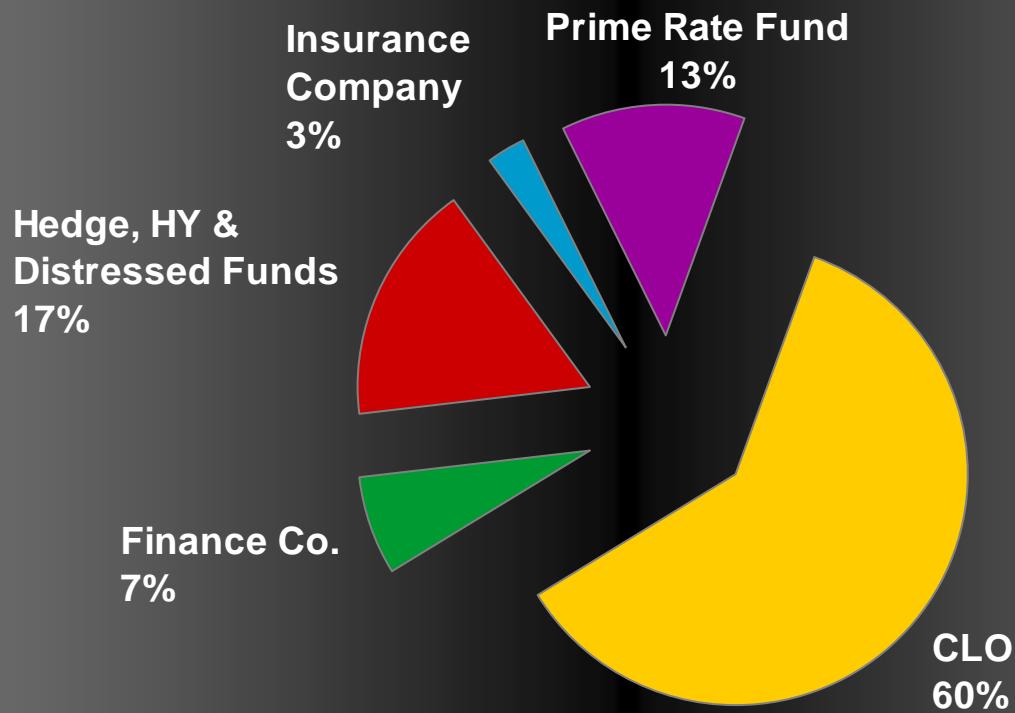
Total Institutional Loan Investor Groups and Portfolios



Source: Standard & Poor's LCD



2006 Primary Market for Institutional Loans by Investor Type



Source: Standard & Poor's LCD



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Default Trends



Lagging Twelve-Month Default Rate by Number of Issuers



Source: Standard & Poor's LCD and Standard & Poor's / LSTA Leveraged Loan Index

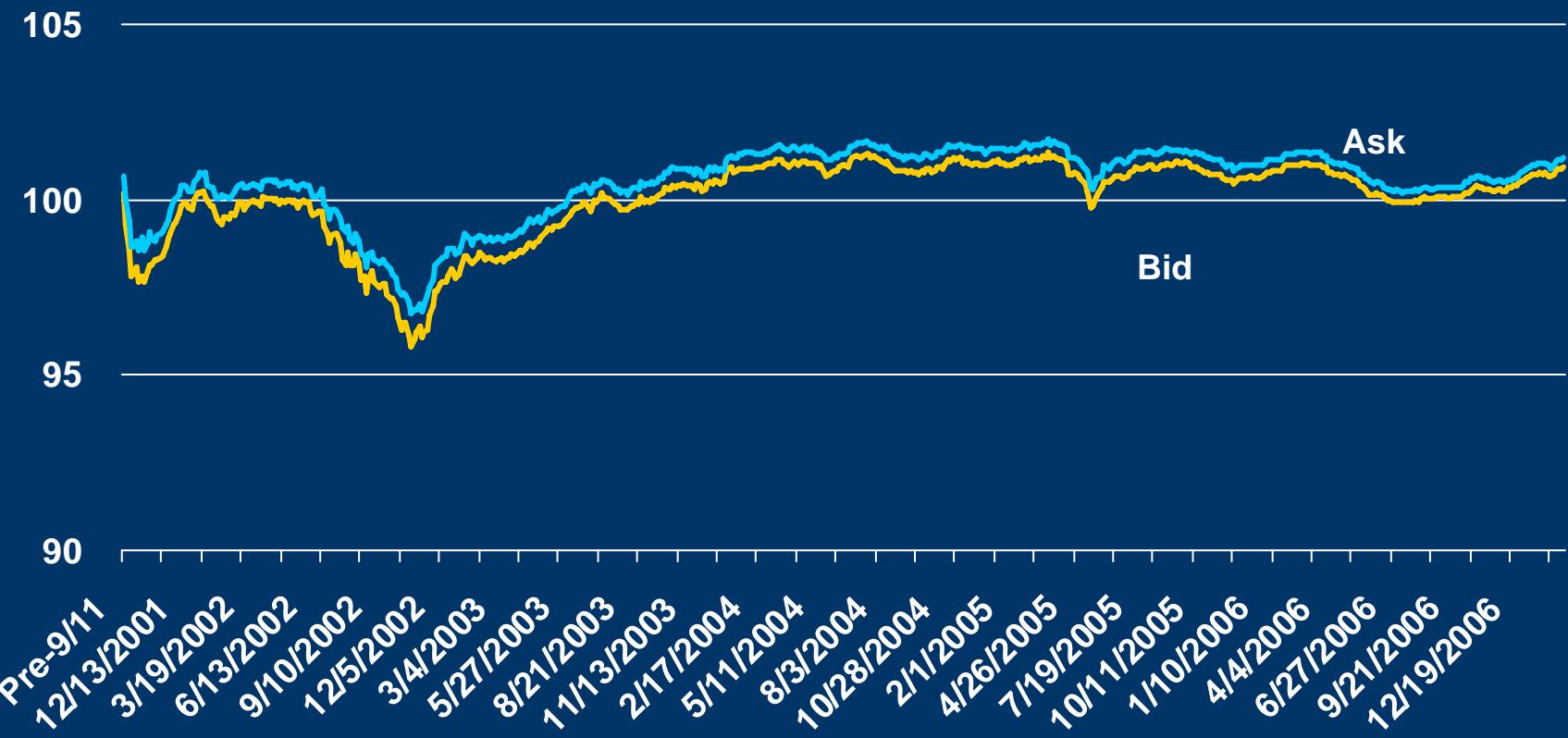


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Price and Spread Trends



Average Price of Institutional Flow Loans

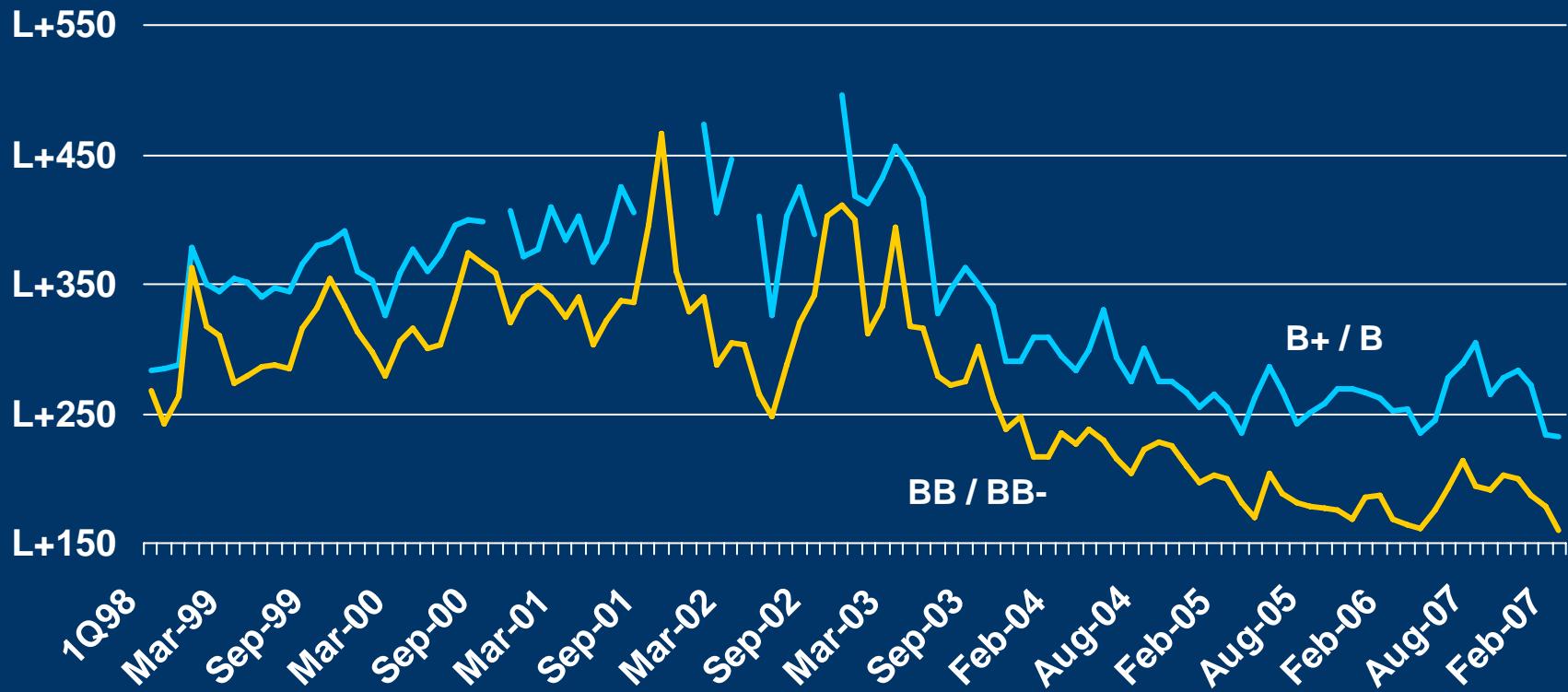


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Average All-In Spread of Institutional Loans by Rating

Where gaps appear in B+/B spreads, there was too few loans to form a meaningful sample



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Average Spread of High Yield and Institutional Loan Flow Names

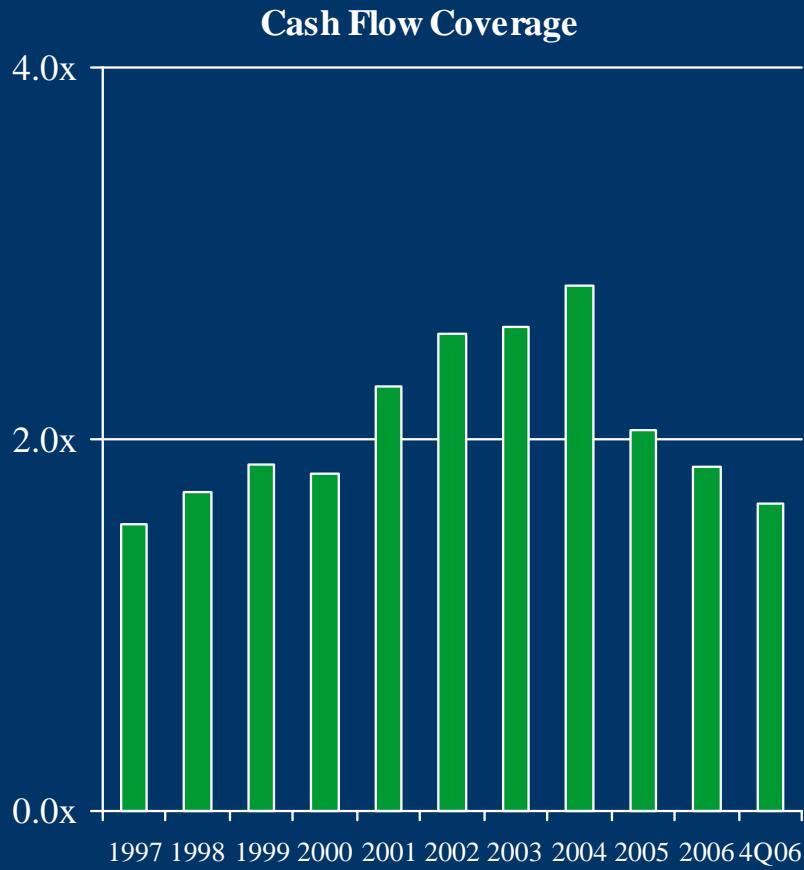
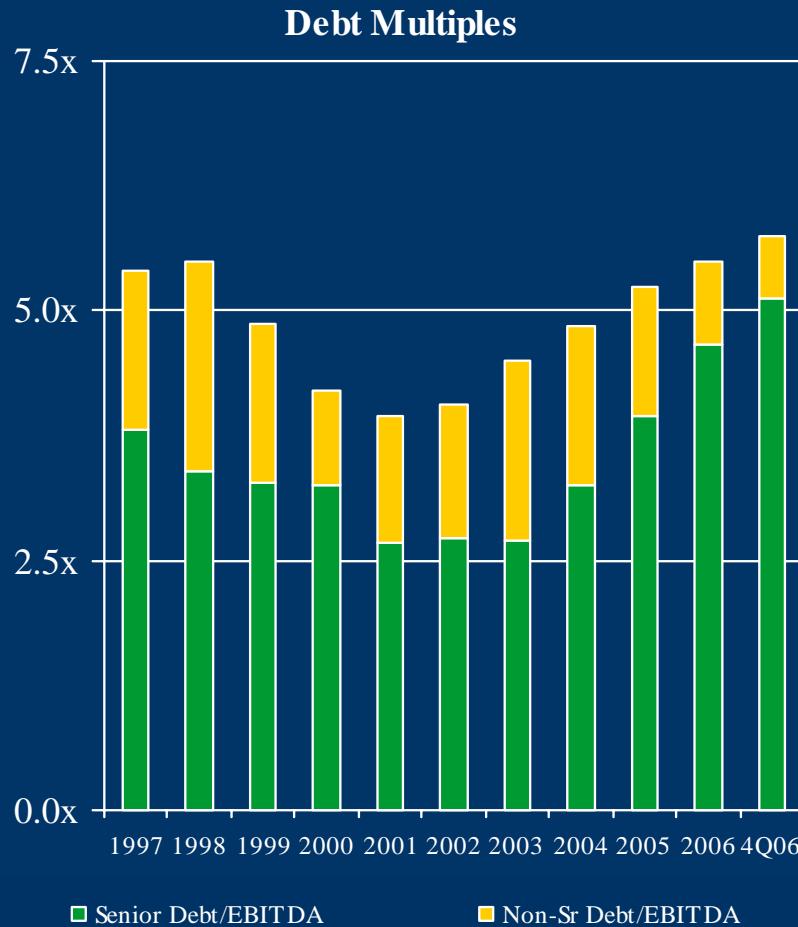
Loan Spreads Are Spread to Maturity,
HY Spreads Are Spread to Worst, Reversed Swapped



Source: Standard & Poor's LCD and Merrill Lynch



Average Initial Debt Multiples of Large LBO's



Source: Standard & Poor's LCD

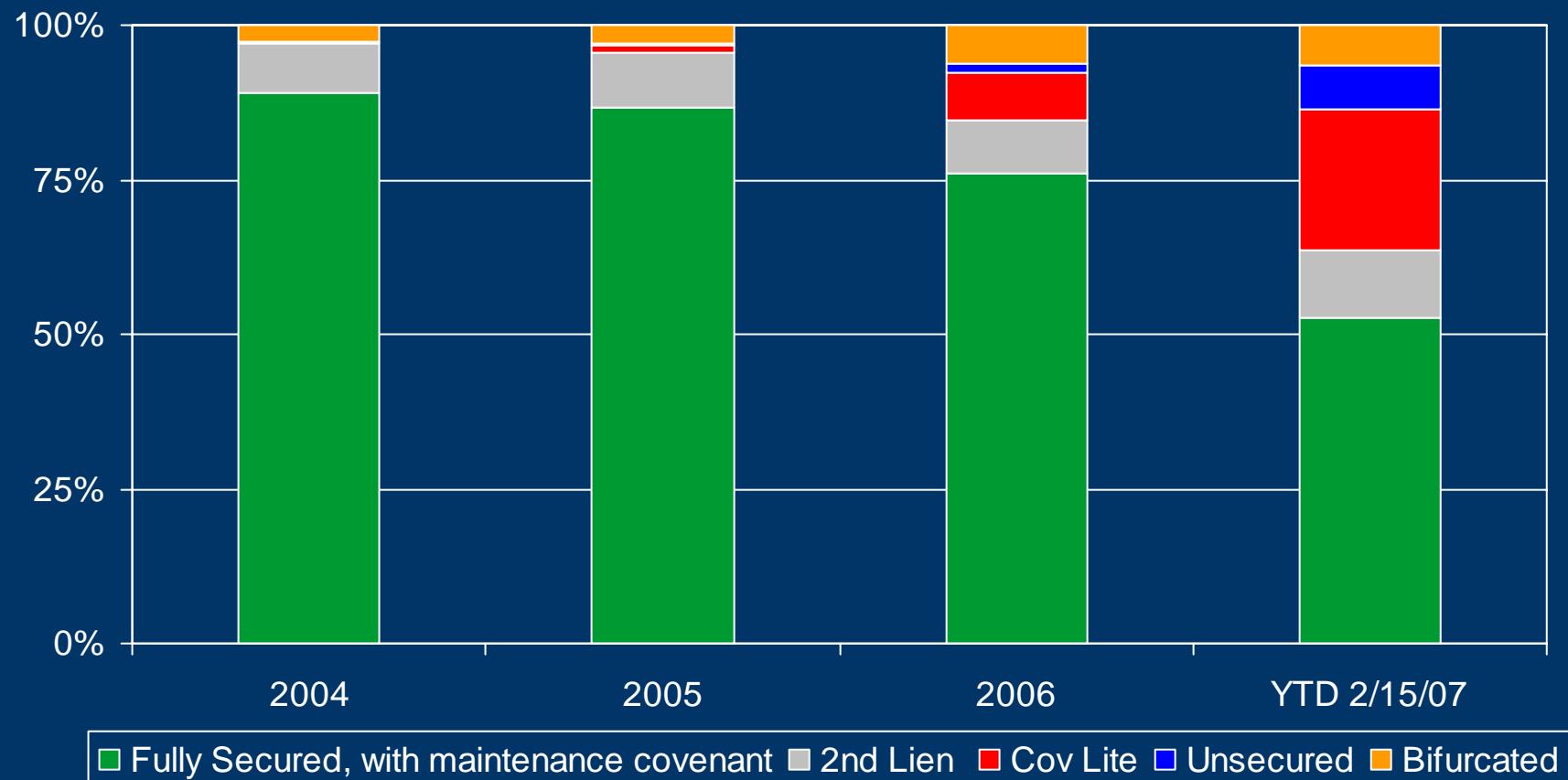


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Structure Trends



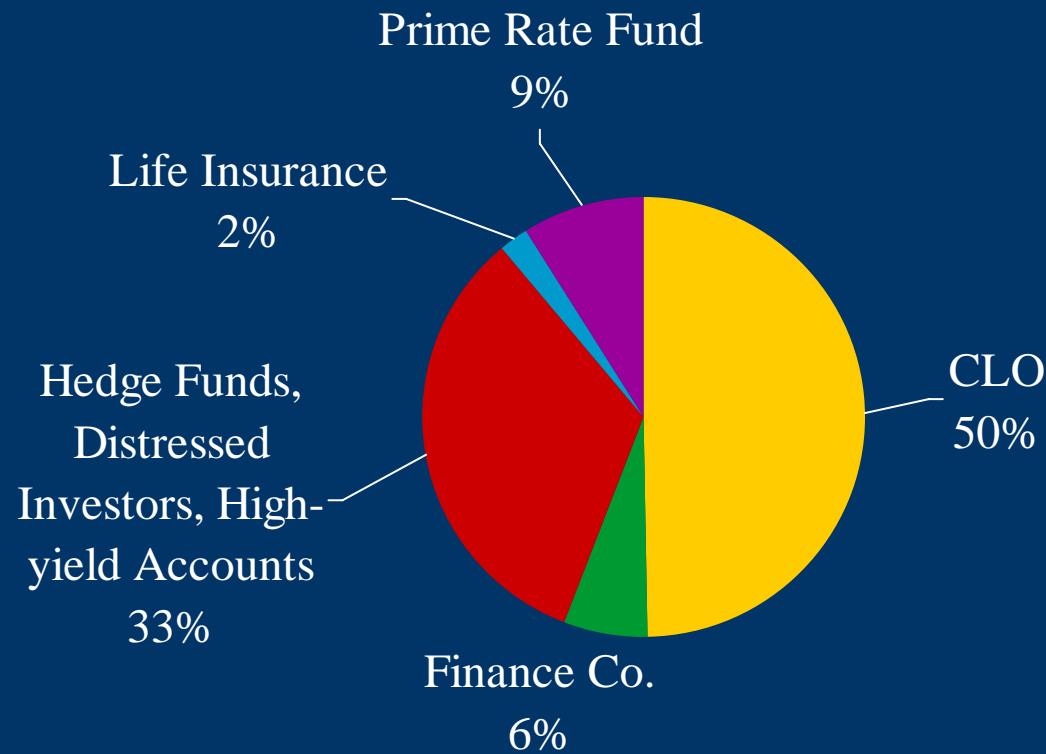
Loan Volume by Type



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Market for Second-Lien Loans



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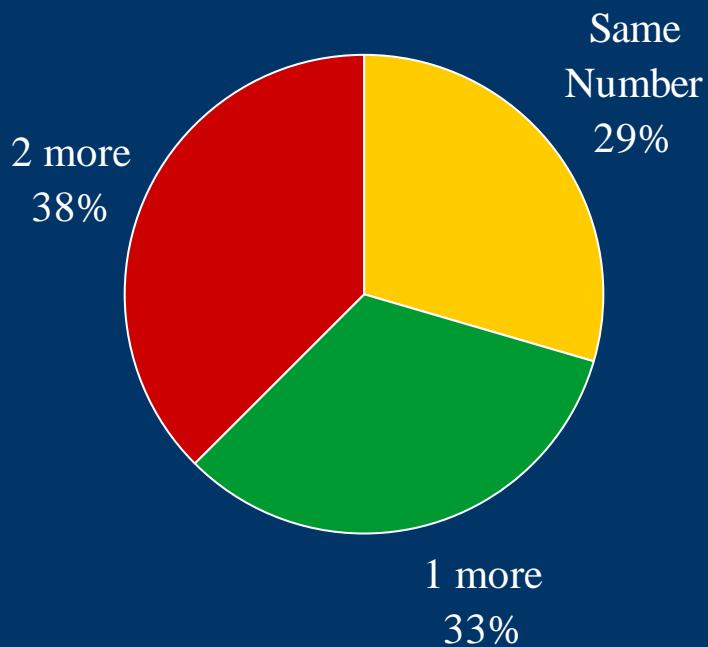
Average Spread of Second-Lien Loans



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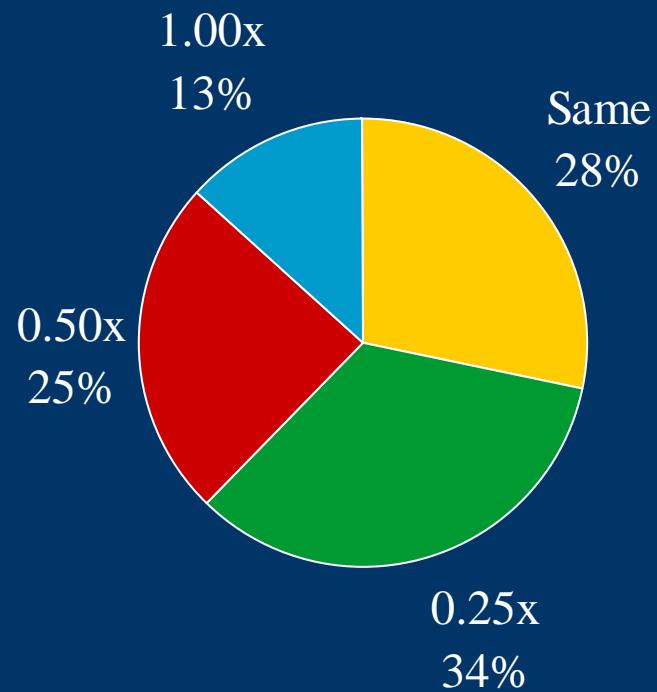
Difference in number of covenants: first- versus second-lien loans 2005-2006



Source: Standard & Poor's LCD



Setbacks on Debt to EBITDA Covenants: Second-lien versus First-lien loans 2005-2006



Source: Standard & Poor's LCD



Second-Lien Loan Recoveries: An Early Look

	Year of emergence	Rough Ultimate Recovery	
		First lien	Second lien
Atkins	2006	71	10
JL French	2006	100	38
Maxim Crane	2005	89	45
Meridian Auto	2006	80	7
New World Pasta	2006	100	34
Average		88	27

Source: Standard & Poor's LCD