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Q2 2024 INVESTOR PRESENTATION



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Hercules Capital

Structure	Internally Managed Business Development Company (BDC)
IPO Date	June 9, 2005
	HTGC INSTERN - Common Stock NYSE
	Institutional Notes PAR \$1000.00/\$2000.00
	 2.625% Notes due 2026
	3.375% Notes due 2027
	 4.28% Notes due 2025
	 4.31% Notes due 2025
Investment Options	 4.50% Notes due 2026
	 4.55% Notes due 2026
	 4.77% Notes due 2024
	6.00% Notes due 2025
	Securitization Notes
	 4.95% Asset-backed Notes due 2031
	Retail Notes (Baby Bonds) PAR \$25.00
	HCXY (NYSE) 6.25% Notes due 2033
Annualized Base Dividend Yield ⁽¹⁾	7.8% as of June 30, 2024
Distributions Declared	\$0.40 per share base for Q2 2024 \$0.08 per share supplemental for Q2 2024
Price to NAV	1.87x - July 26, 2024
	1.1x to 1.9x historical range
(1) Annualized based on the \$0.40 base distribution declared for Q	2 2024 and a closing stock price of \$20.45 as of June 30, 2024



We are HTGC: a Publicly Traded, Internally Managed BDC

Highly Regulated | Financially Efficient | Uniquely Transparent

As a business development company, or BDC, we invest mostly in smaller US businesses and do so under the stringent oversight of federal regulators and an independent board of directors.

Established by Congress more than 40 years ago, BDCs are subject to various federal securities regulations that are designed to mitigate risk and protect stockholders' best interests. Among other things, BDCs have:

- An independent, stockholder-elected board of directors that have a duty to protect and act in stockholders' best interests
- A minimum asset-to-leverage ratio of 2:1
- · A comprehensive, thorough and consistent process for fair valuing portfolio investments
- A rigorous compliance program designed to prevent violations of the securities laws, identify and mitigate conflicts of interest and ensure that the company is acting in stockholders' best interests

No management fee means a more efficient and transparent return on investment.

Most BDCs are *externally managed*, meaning they pay an investment management fee to a separate investment adviser. These fees can range from 1.00% – 2.00% of the BDC's total assets under management, plus 15% - 20% of the BDC's net investment income. By contrast, **HTGC does not pay an investment management fee to anyone**. As an *internally managed* BDC, HTGC pays only its actual operating costs and nothing more – maximizing investment returns and providing a unique level of transparency to stockholders.

Our NYSE listing provides daily liquidity and enhanced corporate governance.

HTGC trades on the New York Stock Exchange, or NYSE, giving stockholders daily liquidity and further enhancing regulatory oversight. As a public company listed on the NYSE, HTGC must publicly disclose material financial and information on an annual, quarterly and ad hoc basis. NYSE rules require HTGC to have independent audit and compensation committees that adhere to strict governance standards. HTGC must also hold an annual stockholder meeting to elect directors.

HTGC receives preferential tax treatment and additional oversight from Rating Agencies.

HTGC qualifies as a regulated investment company, or RIC, by satisfying portfolio diversification and minimum distribution requirements. As a RIC, HTGC eliminates corporate-level taxation while retaining capital gains and/or a spillover of taxable income.

HTGC and our debt securities are regularly diligenced and assessed by multiple rating agencies that impose high standards with respect to operational and financial stability.



Second Quarter 2024 Investor Presentation

- Key Performance Highlights
- Company & Strategic Overview
- Financial Highlights
- Portfolio Highlights
- Venture Capital Market Opportunity
- Analyst Coverage





Q2 2024 Highlights

Robust Earnings	 Net Investment Income (NII) of \$82.4M Total Investment Income of \$125.0M NII per share of \$0.51
Strong Shareholder Returns	 1YR/3YR/5YR Total Shareholder Returns⁽¹⁾: 49.0% / 45.7% / 113.9% ROAE^(1,2): 19.2% ROAA^(1,2): 9.6% Net Interest Margin (NIM): 13.0%
High-Yield Portfolio of Earning Assets	 Total Debt Investments (at cost): \$3.41B Total Investments (at cost): \$3.61B Effective Yield: 14.7%
Industry-Leading Originations Platform	 \$18.6B in total net debt commitments since inception Annualized loss rate of 1.2 basis points, or 0.012% Gross debt & equity commitments: \$686.5M⁽³⁾ Gross debt & equity fundings: \$461.5M⁽³⁾
Strong Liquidity and Balance Sheet	 \$482.0M available liquidity (subject to existing terms and covenants) GAAP and regulatory leverage: 94.8% and 85.4%⁽⁴⁾
Strong Capital Raising Position	 Price-to-NAV: 1.87x⁽⁵⁾ "ATM" Equity Distribution Program Investment Grade Credit Ratings: Fitch: BBB- Moody's: Baa3 DBRS: BBB KBRA: BBB+

⁽¹⁾ Source: HTGC and S&P Capital IQ as of 6/30/24

⁽⁵⁾ As of July 26, 2024

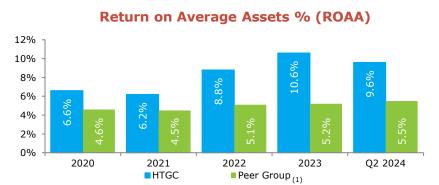


⁽²⁾ Based on NII, excludes realized and unrealized gains/losses

⁽³⁾ Includes commitments and fundings during the quarter that were assigned to or directly committed or funded by the Adviser Funds which are external vehicles managed by Hercules Adviser LLC

⁽⁴⁾ Regulatory leverage is defined as GAAP leverage excluding SBA debentures

Delivering Strong Sustainable Shareholder Returns

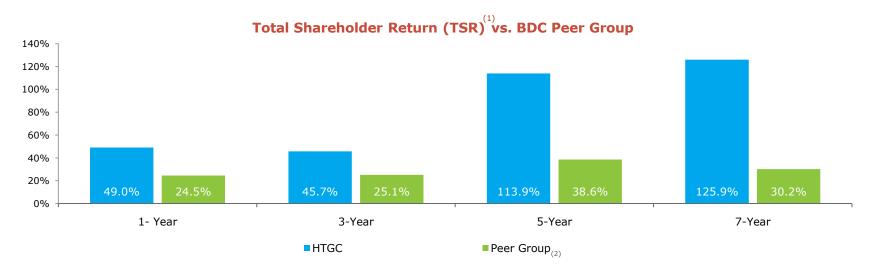


Source: HTGC and S&P Capital IQ as of 6/30/24 for HTGC and 3/31/24 for Peer Group. Return on Average Assets based on NII divided by average total assets.

Return on Average Equity % (ROAE) 20% 16% 12% 8% 4% 0% 2020 2021 2022 2023 Q2 2024 Peer Group(1)

Source: HTGC and S&P Capital IQ as of 6/30/24 for HTGC and 3/31/24 for Peer Group. Return on Average Equity based on NII. NII divided by average of beginning of period equity and end of period equity.

(1) Peer Group: MFIC, ARCC, OCSL, FSK, GBDC, GSBD, MAIN, NMFC, OBDC, PNNT, PSEC, SLRC, BBDC, TCPC, CCAP, TSLX

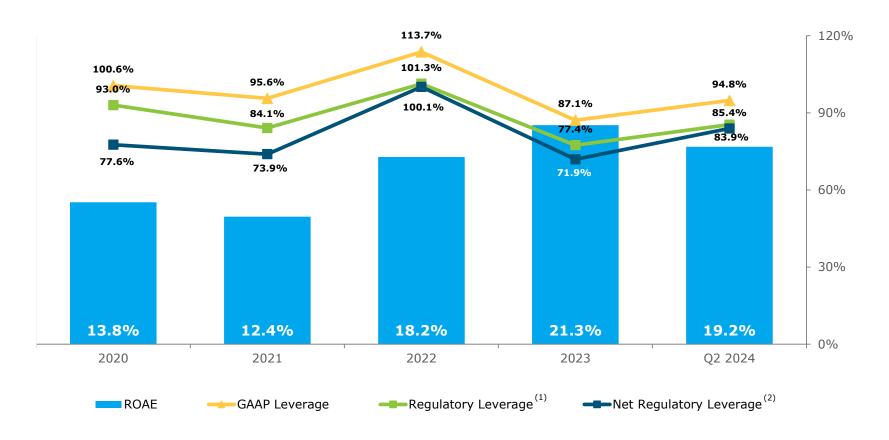


- (1) TSR is defined as stock appreciation plus base dividend distributions. Source: S&P Capital IQ as of June 30, 2024
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Available Leverage for Potential Earnings Growth

Leverage to Return on Average Equity % (ROAE)



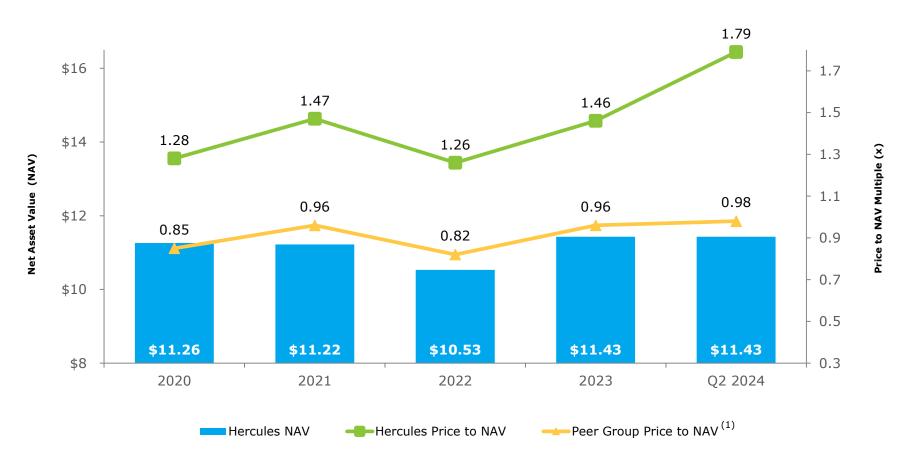
⁽¹⁾ Excludes SBA



⁽²⁾ Excludes SBA and cash

Hercules Has Consistently Maintained a Premium to NAV

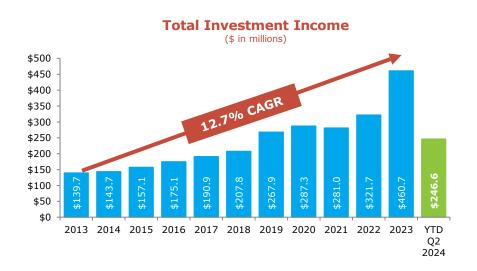
Creates a strong capital raising position to support growth and stability

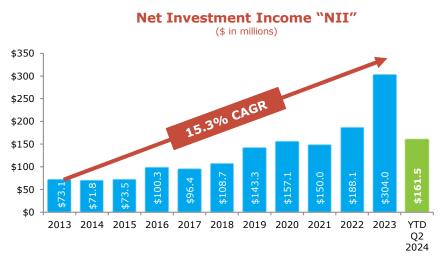


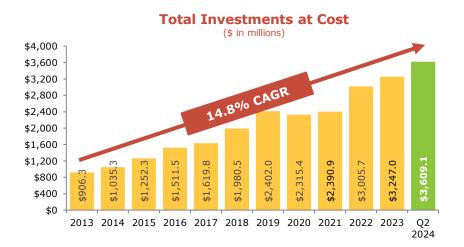
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Price to NAV Source: S&P Capital IQ as of 6/30/24 for HTGC and 3/31/24 for Peer Group. Stock price based on closing price on last trading day of each calendar year or relative quarter.

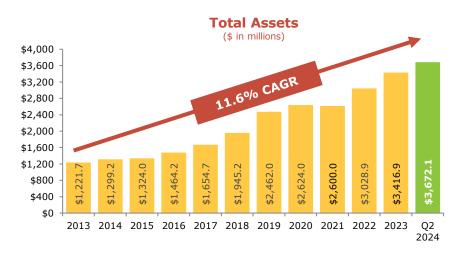


Hercules Key Performance Highlights



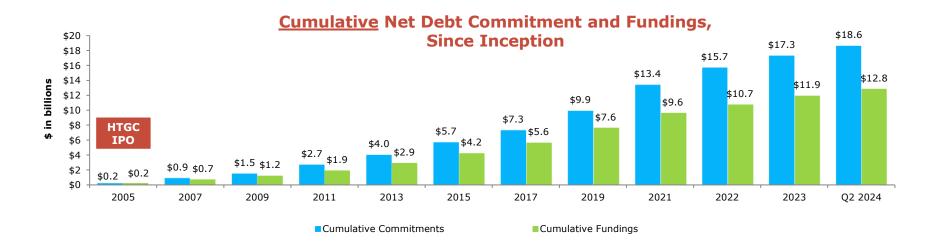




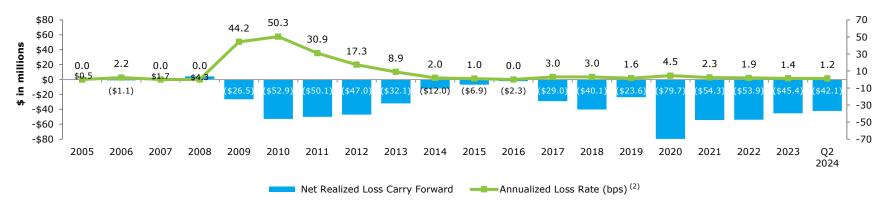




Portfolio Growth with Underwriting Discipline



<u>Cumulative</u> Total Aggregate Net Realized Gains/(Losses)⁽¹⁾ Since Inception



(1) Excludes losses on debt extinguishment and other non-credit related losses

(2) When compared to total net debt commitments during the same period





Hercules At-a-Glance

Largest BDC Focused on Providing Financing to High-Growth Venture Capital-Backed Companies

\$3.43

BILLION

MARKET CAPITALIZATION

FOUNDED DECEMBER 2003

IPO: June 2005 "HTGC"

ENTERPRISE VALUE **\$5.15 billion**⁽¹⁾

MARKET CAPITALIZATION \$3.43 billion(1)

NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE \$11.43 as of 6/30/24

HISTORICAL PRICE/NAV ~1.1x to ~1.9x range

CURRENT PRICE/NAV 1.87x⁽¹⁾ **\$3.41**

BILLION

DEBT INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

DEBT INVESTMENTS COST BASIS

\$3.41 billion

DEBT INVESTMENTS FAIR VALUE **\$3.39 billion**

EFFECTIVE YIELD 14.7%

DEBT INVESTMENTS IN **123 companies**

SHORT TERM MATURITIES **36-48 months**

INVESTMENT SIZE **\$5** to **\$200** million

101

COMPANIES

WARRANT PORTFOLIO

WARRANT HOLDINGS IN **101 companies**

EQUITY HOLDINGS IN **78 companies**

TOTAL WARRANT AND EQUITY GAAP COST

\$193.3 million

TOTAL WARRANT AND EQUITY FAIR VALUE

\$169.2 million

\$482.0

MILLION

LIQUIDITY & BALANCE SHEET

AVAILABLE LIQUIDITY TO INVEST⁽²⁾

\$482.0 million

GAAP LEVERAGE 94.8% / 85.4% ex. SBA

INVESTMENT GRADE RATINGS

Fitch: BBB-Moody's: Baa3 DBRS: BBB KBRA: BBB+

(2) Subject to existing terms and covenants.



⁽¹⁾ Source for Enterprise Value and Market Capitalization is S&P Capital IQ, and Price/NAV are both based on ending stock price as of July 26, 2024. Other data presented on this slide is as of 6/30/24.

Why Hercules is Different from Other BDCs

We invest in innovative venture growth-stage companies

What We Don't Do

- No direct oil and gas exposure
- No CLO exposure
- No CMBS or RMBS exposure
- No metals or minerals exposure
- No crypto or cannabis exposure

Internally Managed

- Shareholder-aligned management structure
- Not incentivized to grow AUM for base fees

What We Do

- We focus primarily on pre-IPO and M&A, innovative high-growth venture capital backed companies at their expansion (venture growth) and established stages in a broadly diversified variety of technology, life sciences and sustainable and renewable technology industries
- Highly asset sensitive debt investment portfolio 97.4% floating rate loans and with interest rate floors⁽¹⁾
- We are generally the only lender and 90.1% are "true" first lien senior secured⁽¹⁾
- 7.8% of our debt investments are second position senior secured of which approximately 96.0% Hercules has the right to buy out the first lien holder⁽¹⁾
- The majority of our debt investments include warrants for potential additional total return
- Generally, our debt investments have short term amortizing maturities (36-48 months)
- Focused on strong and sustainable shareholder returns
- Disciplined, proven investment philosophy with over 20 years of strong credit performance history



(1) As of June 30, 2024

We are at Center Stage of the Innovation Economy

Hercules has domain expertise in five specialized lending groups "We are not generalists"



- We Invest at the Expansion "Venture Growth" and Established Stage
- \$18.6 billion in total net debt commitments to over 660 companies since inception

- Offices in key venture capital markets:
 CA | MA | NY | DC | CO | UK
- Over 1000 different VC & PE firms, financial investors
- 260 portfolio companies completed/announced an IPO or M&A event since inception





Income Statement: Q2 2024 vs. Q2 2023 Summary Results

Three Months Ended June 30,

	2	2024		2023	Year/Year
(\$ in 000's, except per share amounts)	(una	udited)	(un	audited)	Change
Interest Income	\$	117,529	\$	108,986	8%
Fee Income		7,477		7,245	3%
Total Investment Income		125,006		116,231	8%
Interest and Loan Fees		21,508		19,648	9%
General and Administrative and Tax Expenses		6,235		7,131	-13%
Employee Compensation		17,757		16,166	10%
Expenses Allocated to the Adviser Subsidiary		(2,852)		(2,414)	
Total Net Operating Expenses		42,648		40,531	5%
Pre-Tax Net Investment Income-NII		82,358		75,700	9%
Total Net Realized Gain (Loss) & Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)		(40,506)		19,075	
Net Increase(Decrease) in Net Assets from Operations		41,852		94,775	-56%
NII - Net Investment Income per Share (Basic)	\$	0.51	\$	0.53	-4%
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding - Basic		160,748		141,390	14%



Current and Historical Income Statements

	Six Months end June 30,	ded	Twelve Months ended December 31,		
(\$ in 000's, except per share amounts)	2024		2023		
Interest Income	\$ 23	33,308	\$ 434,425		
Fee Income	1	13,251	26,243		
Total Investment Income	24	16,559	460,668		
Interest and Loan Fees	4	11,529	77,465		
General and Administrative and Tax Expenses	1	12,004	24,767		
Employee Compensation	3	37,235	63,500		
Expenses Allocated to the Adviser Subsidiary	(5	5,729)	(9,101)		
Total Net Operating Expenses	8	35,039	156,631		
Pre-Tax Net Investment Income-NII	16	51,520	304,037		
Total Net Realized Gain (Loss) & Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)	(28	8,704)	33,447		
Net Increase(Decrease) in Net Assets from Operations	13	32,816	337,484		
NII - Net Investment Income per Share (Basic)	\$	1.01	\$2.09		
Weighted Average Shares Outstanding - Basic	15	59,096	144,091		



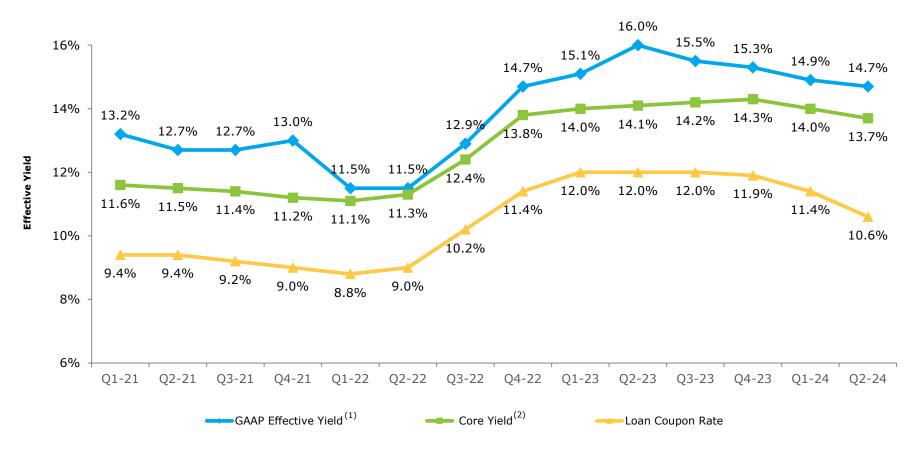
Current and Historical Balance Sheets

	June 30,	De	cember 31,
(\$ in 000's, except per share amounts)	2024		2023
ASSETS			
Total Investments, at fair value	\$ 3,568,539	\$	3,248,046
Cash and cash equivalents	27,676		98,899
Restricted cash	11,242		17,114
Interest receivable	31,533		32,741
Right of use asset	18,104		4,787
Other assets	15,042		15,339
Total Assets	\$ 3,672,136	\$	3,416,926
LIABILITIES			
Debt (net of debt issuance costs)	1,747,127		1,554,869
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	49,519		54,156
Operating lease liability	18,945		5,195
Total Liabilities	\$ 1,815,591	\$	1,614,220
Net Assets	\$ 1,856,545	\$	1,802,706
Shares Outstanding	162,428		157,758
Net Assets per Share	\$ 11.43	\$	11.43



Effective Yield vs. Core Yield – Leads to Strong Earnings

Median Core Yield of 13.1% (Q1 2021 - Q2 2024)

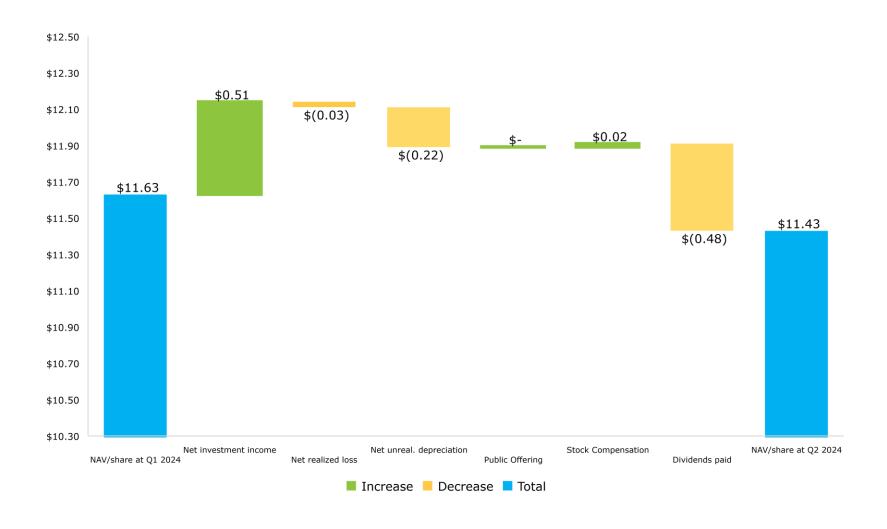


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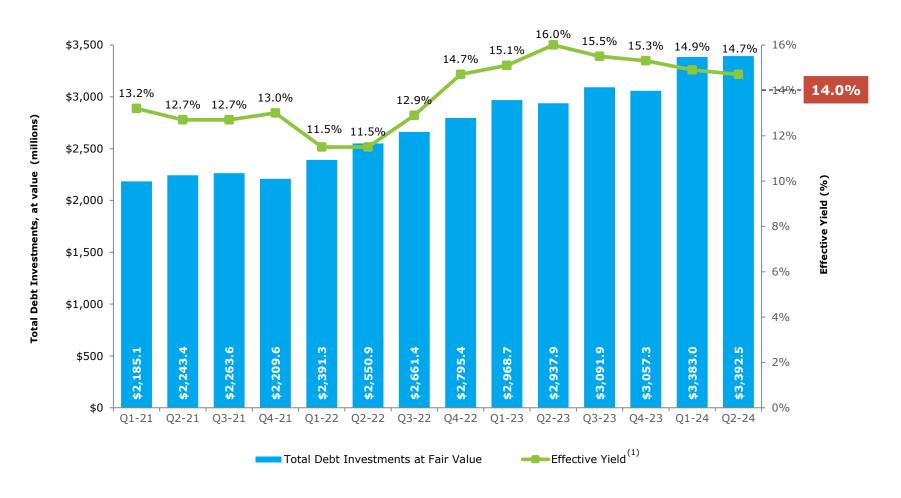
NAV Roll-Forward – Q2 2024





High-Yield Portfolio of Earning Assets

Median Effective Yield of 14.0% (Q1 2021 to Q2 2024)

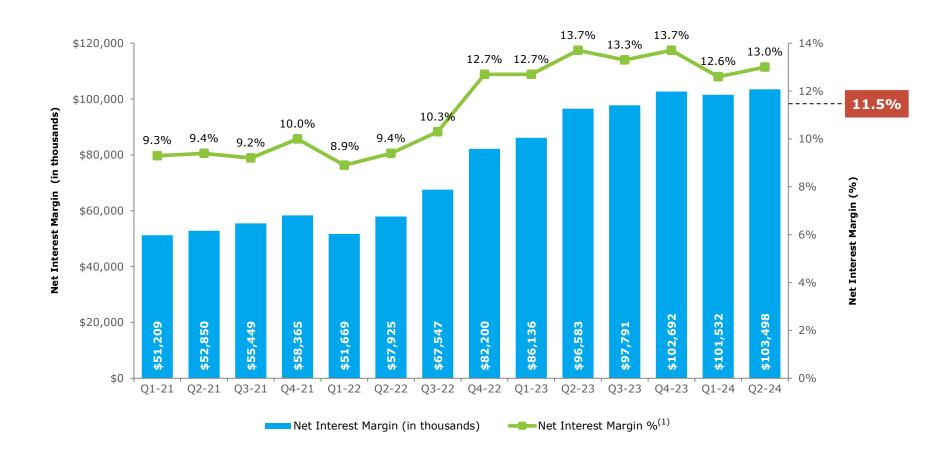


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Strong, Consistent Net Interest Margin - NIM

Median NIM of 11.5% (Q1 2021 to Q2 2024)



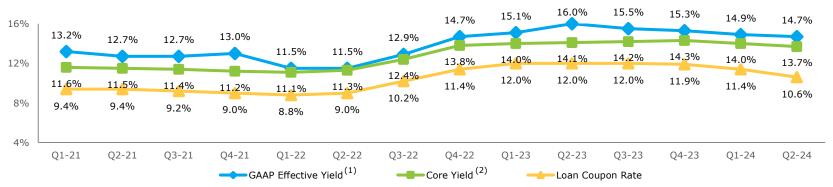
(1) Net Interest Margin % = Net Interest Income/Average Yielding Assets excluding Equity Investments



Impact of Early Payoffs on Effective Yields

Early Payoffs Lead to Higher Effective Yields and Earnings

Effective Yields



Unscheduled Early Payoffs (\$ in millions)



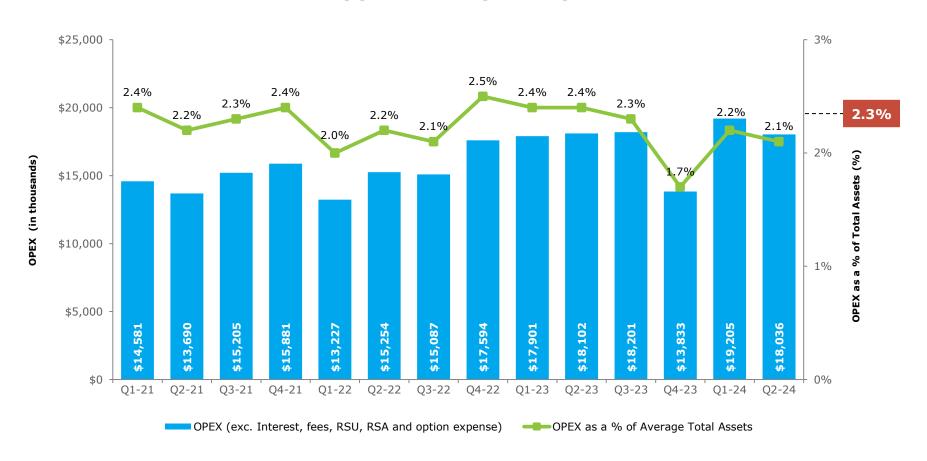
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Non-Interest and Fee Expense to Average Total Assets

Median adjusted OPEX to average total assets of 2.3% (Q1 2021 to Q2 2024)





Unfunded Commitments as a Percentage of Total Assets

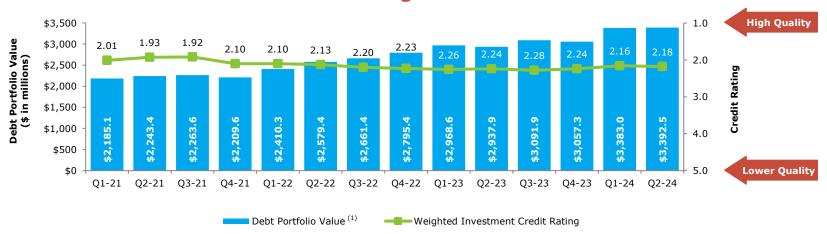


(1) Amount represents available unfunded commitments, including undrawn revolving facilities, which are available at the request by the portfolio company.



Consistent and Disciplined Underwriting Standards

Our disciplined credit underwriting standards have delivered consistent long-term results



Credit Grading (at Fair Value), Q2 2024 - Q2 2023 (\$ in millions)

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	Q2 2024		Q1 2024		Q4 2023		Q3 2023			Q2 2023		
Grade 1 - High	\$ 808.9	23.9%	\$ 792.2	23.4%	\$ 626.8	20.5%	\$ 607.5	19.7%	\$	593.6	20.2%	
Grade 2	\$ 1,468.7	43.3%	\$ 1,507.1	44.6%	\$ 1,286.2	42.1%	\$ 1,312.0	42.4%	\$ 1	,151.7	39.2%	
Grade 3	\$ 1,051.8	31.0%	\$ 988.1	29.2%	\$ 1,040.6	34.0%	\$ 1,066.8	34.5%	\$ 1	,125.6	38.3%	
Grade 4	\$ 31.0	0.9%	\$ 87.3	2.6%	\$ 103.7	3.4%	\$ 81.1	2.6%	\$	67.0	2.3%	
Grade 5 - Low	\$ 32.1	0.9%	\$ 8.2	0.2%	\$ -	0.0%	\$ 24.6	0.8%	\$	_	0.0%	
Weighted Avg. (at Cost)	2.18		2.16		2.24		2.28			2.24		

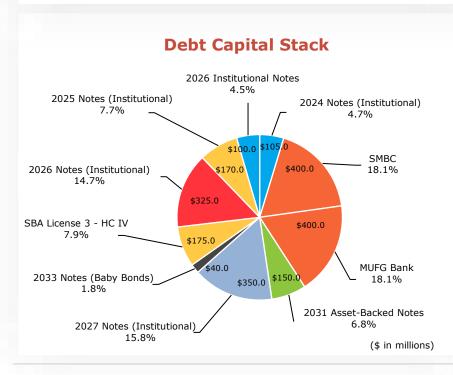
(1) Debt only; based on fair value

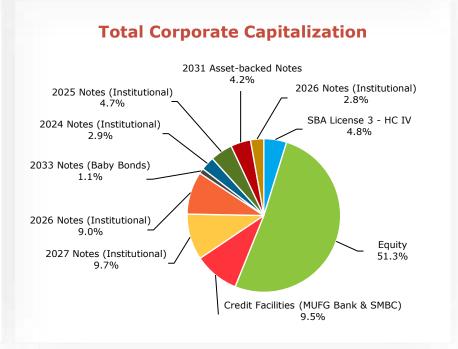


Diversified Sources of Funding: Q2 2024

Entity Capitalization

Capital Sources as of 6/30/24	\$ in Millions	% of Total
Equity	\$1,856.6	51.3%
SBA License 3 - HC IV	\$175.0	4.8%
January 2027 Notes (Institutional)	\$350.0	9.7%
July 2024 Notes (Institutional)	\$105.0	2.9%
September 2026 Notes (Institutional)	\$325.0	9.0%
October 2033 Notes (Baby Bonds)	\$40.0	1.1%
February & June 2025 Notes (Institutional)	\$120.0	3.3%
June 2025 Notes (Institutional)	\$50.0	1.4%
March 2026 Notes (Institutional)	\$100.0	2.8%
July 2031 Asset-backed Notes	\$150.0	4.2%
Credit Facilities (MUFG Bank & SMBC)	\$345.0	9.5%
Total Capital	\$3,616.6	100.0%





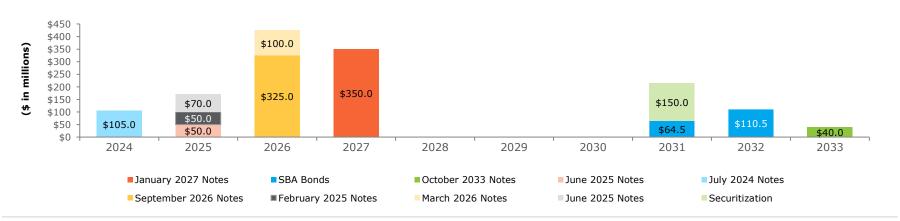


Diversified Sources of Funding: Q2 2024

	Notes								SBA Debenture				
	SMBC LOC Facility	SMBC Credit Facility		January 2027 Inst. Notes	Sept. 2026 Inst. Notes	October 2033 Retail Notes	July 2024 Inst. Notes	February 2025 Inst. Notes	June 2025 Inst. Notes	March 2026 Inst. Notes	June 2025 Inst. Notes	License 3 HC IV	Securitization
DATE ENTERED	Feb. 2023	Nov. 2021	Feb. 2020	Jan. 2022	Sept. 2021	Oct. 2018	July 2019	Feb. 2020	June 2020	Nov. 2020 March 2021	June 2022	March 2021	June 2022
FACILITY SIZE (\$ in millions)	\$175.0	\$225.0	\$400.0	\$350.0	\$325.0	\$40.0	\$105.0	\$50.0	\$70.0	\$100.00	\$50.0	\$175.0	\$150.00
INTEREST RATE	SOFR + 145 bps	SOFR + 187.5 bps	SOFR + 275 bps	3.375% Unsecured	2.625% Unsecured	6.25% Unsecured	4.77% Unsecured	4.28% Unsecured	4.31% Unsecured	4.50%/4.55% Unsecured	6.00% Unsecured	2.61%(1)	4.95%
MATURITY	January 2026	November 2026	January 2027	January 2027	September 2026	October 2033	July 2024	February 2025	June 2025	March 2026	June 2025	Mature 10 years after borrowing	July 2031
ADDITIONAL INFO	(Expandable up to \$400.0)			Moody's: Baa3 KBRA: BBB+		NYSE: HCXY DBRS: BBB KBRA: BBB+	KBRA: BBB+	KBRA: BBB+	KBRA: BBB+	KBRA: BBB+	KBRA: BBB+	Rate set in March 2022	
OUTSTANDING (\$ in millions)	\$0.0	\$212.0	\$133.0	\$350.0	\$325.0	\$40.0	\$105.0	\$50.0	\$70.0	\$100.00	\$50.0	\$175.0	\$150.00

⁽¹⁾ Interest rate range for the SBA debentures does not include annual fees

Well-Managed Debt Maturity Schedule





Interest Rates & Asset Sensitivity

Basis Point Movement in Prime Rate

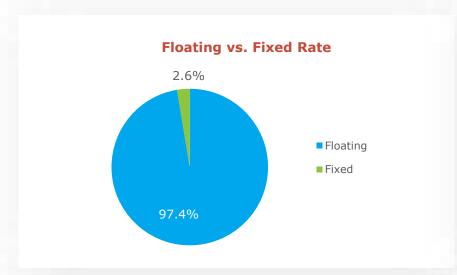


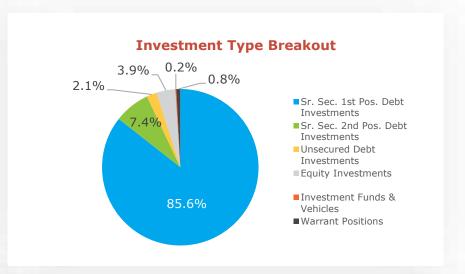
⁽¹⁾ EPS calculated on basic weighted shares outstanding of 160.7 million and a static debt investment portfolio as of June 30, 2024. Estimates are also subject to change due to impact from potential participation in the Company's equity ATM program and future equity offerings.

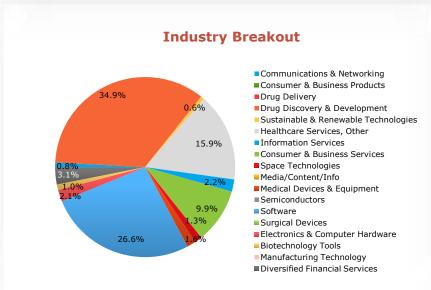


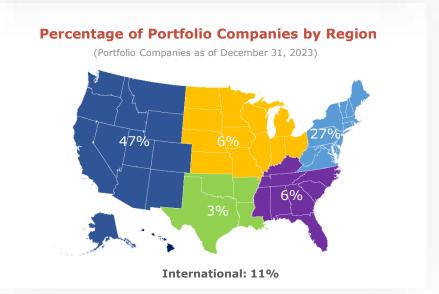


Hercules' Investment Portfolio: Q2 2024











Hercules' Warrant & Equity Portfolio: Potential Future Upside for Shareholder's Total Return

2 Portfolio Companies filed for Initial Public Offerings - YTD 2024

Two Confidential S-1 Filers (2023)

6 Portfolio Companies announced/completed M&A Liquidity Events – YTD 2024

- BiomX Inc.
- Udacity
- Delphix
- ZeroFox, Inc.
- Onna Technologies
- Eigen Technologies

Current Warrant & Equity Portfolio – Q2 2024

- 101 warrant holdings
 - GAAP fair value: \$28.9 million
 - GAAP cost: \$31.5 million
 - \$64.2 million in nominal Exercise Value (as of 6/30/24)
- 78 equity holdings
 - GAAP fair value: \$140.3 million
 - GAAP cost: \$161.8 million
- Illustrative models of potential warrant gains (as of 6/30/24)
 - Assumption: 50% of warrants will not monetize
 - GAAP cost: \$15.8 million
 - Based on 160.7 million weighted average shares

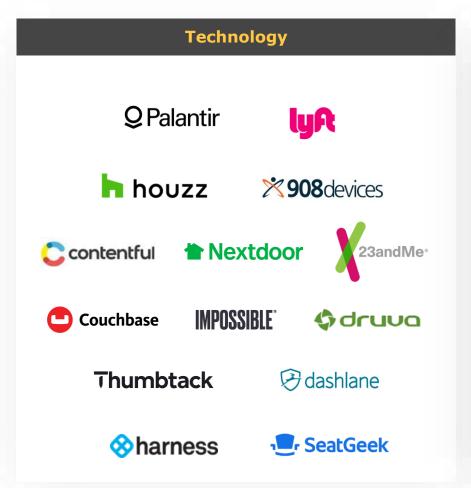
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$32.1M x 2X multiple: $64.2M - $15.8M cost = $48.4M unrealized gain = $0.30/share
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$32.1M x 3X multiple: $96.3M - $15.8M cost = $80.5M unrealized gain = $0.50/share
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\$32.1x 4X multiple: \$128.4M - \$15.8M cost = \$112.6unrealized gain = **\$0.70/share**



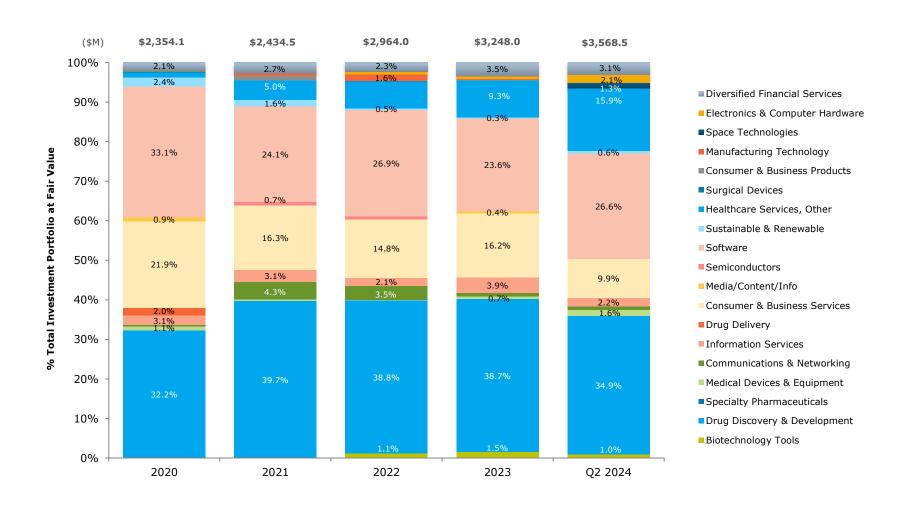
Selected List of Warrant and Equity Portfolio Holdings





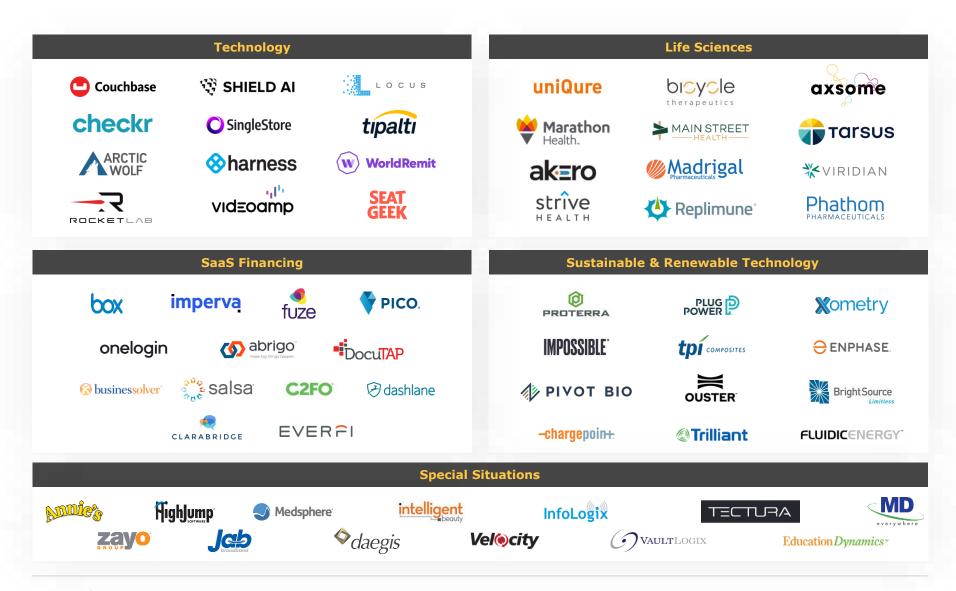


A Broadly Diversified Portfolio Re-Balanced According to our Assessment of Ongoing Market Conditions Mitigates Risk





Select List of Diversified Portfolio Companies





Diversified Investment Approach Mitigates Risk

Four Key Diversification Strategies



FINANCIAL SPONSORS

More than
1000 Venture
Capital
&
Private Equity
Firms



INDUSTRY SECTORS

Technology
SaaS Financing
Life Sciences
Sustainable &
Renewable
Special Situations



STAGES OF DEVELOPMENT

Expansion or "Venture Growth" & Established



GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION

Key VC Investment
Centers
Silicon Valley
Boston
New York
Washington DC
San Diego
Denver
London

Primarily Invest at Stages of High Growth

	Expansion Stage	Established
Type of Company	Follow-on Rounds of Growth Capital (Series B-Liquidity Event)	Private Late Stage/ Select Public Companies
Equity Capital Provider	Venture Capital/ Private Equity	Public Markets/ Private Equity
Expectation for Additional Sponsor Support	1–3 Additional Rounds	0–2 Additional Rounds
Targeted Warrant Gain Potential	3–7 x	2-4 x
Potential Time to Liquidity	4–6 years	2–4 years



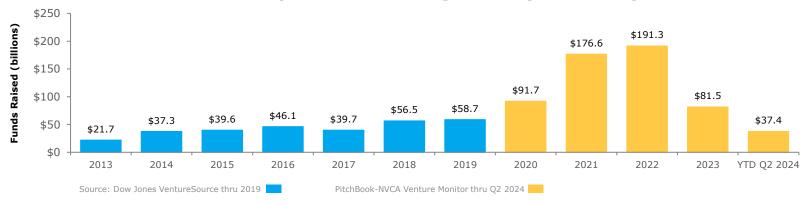


Over \$2.0 Trillion in VC Investments Since 1997

Venture Capital Investment Activity 2013 – Q2 2024



Venture Capital Fundraising Activity 2013 - Q2 2024

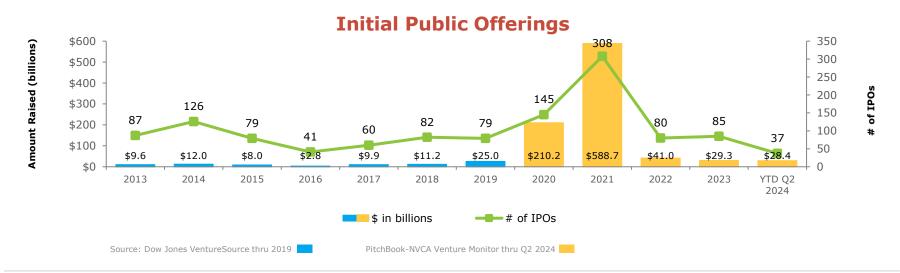




Exits of Venture Capital-Backed Companies



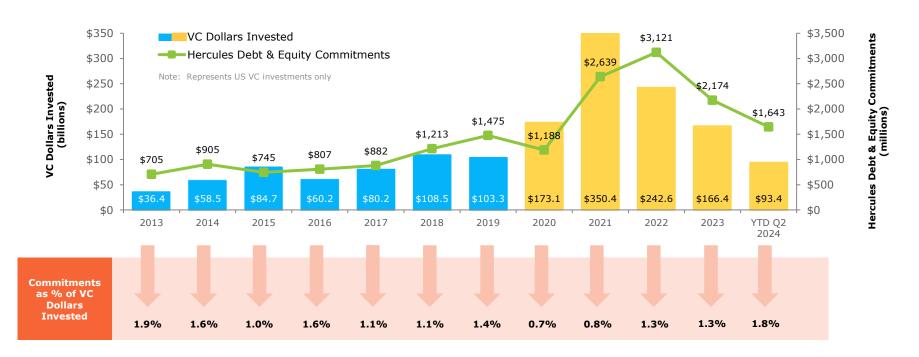






Hercules' Total Commitments vs. VC Dollars Invested

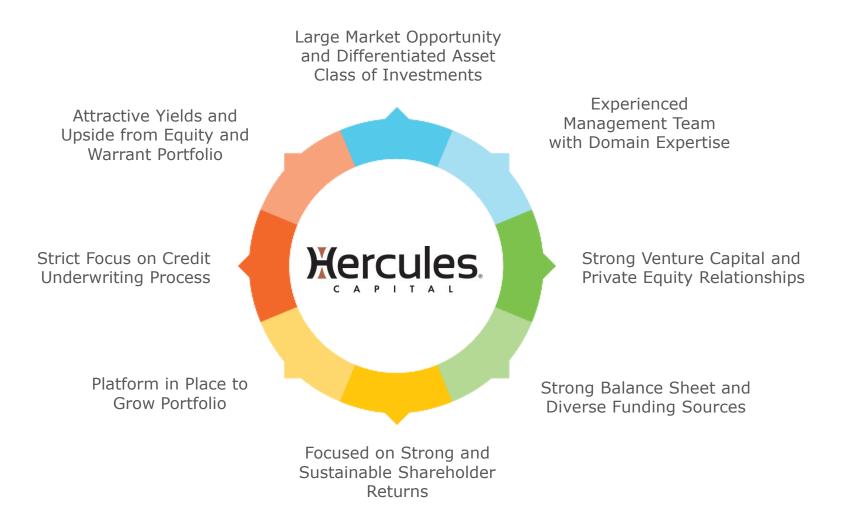
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- Hercules' uncompromising yield and credit underwriting standards drive commitments
- Market conditions determine commitment activity more than pure VC investment activity
- Hercules' 12-year historical average participation rate: 1.3%

Source: Dow Jones VentureSource thru 2019 PitchBook-NVCA Venture Monitor thru Q2 2024

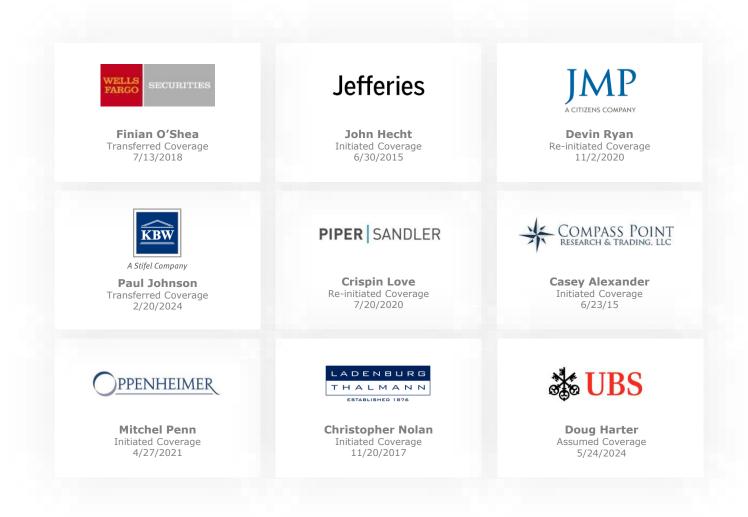
Investment Highlights







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