

# Voya Leveraged Credit Group – Senior Loan Talking Points



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## Weekly Notables

- The U.S. loan market, as represented by the S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan Index (the “Index”), returned -0.32% for the seven-day period ended June 23. The average Index bid price decreased 39 bps, closing out the period at 93.27.
- It was another quiet week in the primary market, with just a few loans launched. M&A/LBO-related deals have been the primary source of new-issue activity in the past 30 days, representing approximately 81% of all transactions. Net of anticipated repayments, the forward pipeline contracted this week, as net new supply expected to come to market totaled \$15.2 billion, down about \$3.4 billion from the prior estimate.
- Secondary trading levels further softened, while performance among ratings cohorts was fairly uniform. On a MTD basis, BBs have outperformed lower-rated credits given continued risk-off tone.
- Digging into investor demand, U.S. loan funds and ETFs saw an aggregate outflow of \$1.17 billion for the week ended June 22 (Lipper weekly data), while CLO managers priced four new deals this week. YTD CLO issuance is currently tracking \$66.6 billion. Full-year forecasts have been revised down recently given market volatility and challenging arbitrage.
- There were no defaults in the Index this week, as the current trailing rates remain well below historical averages for the asset class.

## Average Bid: S&P/LSTA LLI

June 1, 2017 to June 23, 2022



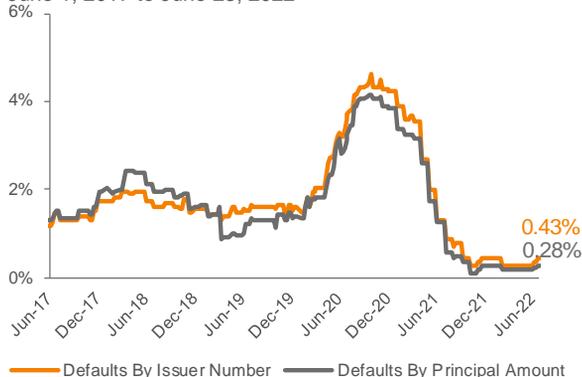
## Average 3-YR Call Secondary Spreads: S&P/LSTA LLI <sup>1,2</sup>

June 1, 2017 to June 17, 2022



## Lagging 12-Month Default Rate: S&P/LSTA LLI <sup>3</sup>

June 1, 2017 to June 23, 2022



Index Stats	Weighted Average Nominal Spread*	Weighted Average Price	MTD Total Return	MTD Price Return	YTD Total Return	YTD Price Return
S&P/LSTA Index	3.51%	93.27	-1.10%	-1.40%	-3.52%	-5.46%
BB Loans	2.77%	95.38	-0.92%	-1.17%	-2.43%	-4.01%
B Loans	3.77%	93.30	-1.11%	-1.43%	-3.72%	-5.79%
CCC Loans	5.32%	82.78	-2.06%	-2.53%	-7.23%	-10.18%

Source: LCD, S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan Index and S&P Global Market Intelligence. Additional footnotes and disclosures on back page. **Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Investors cannot invest directly in the Index.** \*The Index’s average nominal spread calculation includes the benefit of LIBOR floors (where applicable).

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<sup>1</sup> Assumes 3 Year Maturity. Three-year maturity assumption: (i) all loans pay off at par in 3 years, (ii) discount from par is amortized evenly over the 3 years as additional spread, and (iii) no other principal payments during the 3 years. Discounted spread is calculated based upon the current bid price, not on par. Please note that Index yield data is only available on a lagging basis, thus the data demonstrated is as of June 17, 2022.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes facilities that are currently in default.

<sup>3</sup> Comprises all loans, including those not tracked in the LPC mark-to-market service. Vast majority are institutional tranches. Issuer default rate is calculated as the number of defaults over the last twelve months divided by the number of issuers in the Index at the beginning of the twelve-month period. Principal default rate is calculated as the amount defaulted over the last twelve months divided by the amount outstanding at the beginning of the twelve-month period.

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