

# Aura Private Credit Income Fund

January 2026 Statistics

APIR Code: ARF3849AU

## Portfolio Returns Overview\*

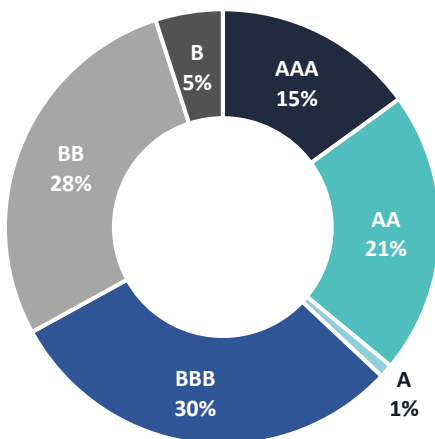
For the month of January 2026, the Aura Private Credit Income Fund (APCIF) delivered a net return of 0.66%.

Since its inception in August 2017, the Fund has delivered total returns of 115.71% after all fees and expenses, representing a compound net return of 9.47% per annum.

## Fund Facts

Fund Size	\$525m
Benchmark	RBA Cash Rate + 5.00% p.a. (net of fees & costs)
Unit Price	\$1.0000
MER	1.25% p.a. (plus GST)
Performance Fee	20% (plus GST) of returns over benchmark
Weighted Ave. Duration	5 months
Investment Grade (%)**	67%
Distribution Frequency	Monthly
Redemption Frequency	Monthly
Minimum Investment	\$100,000
Min. Additional Investment	\$1,000

## Portfolio Credit Quality\*\*



S&P Equivalent Portfolio Credit Rating \*\*: **BB+**

## Platform Availability

Hub24	Macquarie Wrap	Mason Stevens
Netwealth	Praemium	Powerwrap

## Fund Profile\*

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12 Month Return (Dist. Reinvested)	: 8.26%
12 Month Return (Cash Dist.)	: 7.97%
Number of Lenders	: 10
Number of Loans	: 13,933
Average Loan Size	: \$132,029
Maximum Loan Size	: \$17.2m
Maximum Loan Size %	: 3.28%
Minimum Loan Size	: < \$1,000
Minimum Loan Size %	: 0.00%
Cash & Cash Equivalents	: 13.66%
Loan Assets	: 86.34%
Arrears over 30 Days	: \$15.2m
Arrears over 30 Days %	: 2.89%

## Fund Ratings



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\* All data is as at 31 January 2026 unless stated otherwise and is subject to change. Returns data is net of fees and expenses, assumes reinvestment of distributions. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

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## Fund Performance as at 31 January 2026

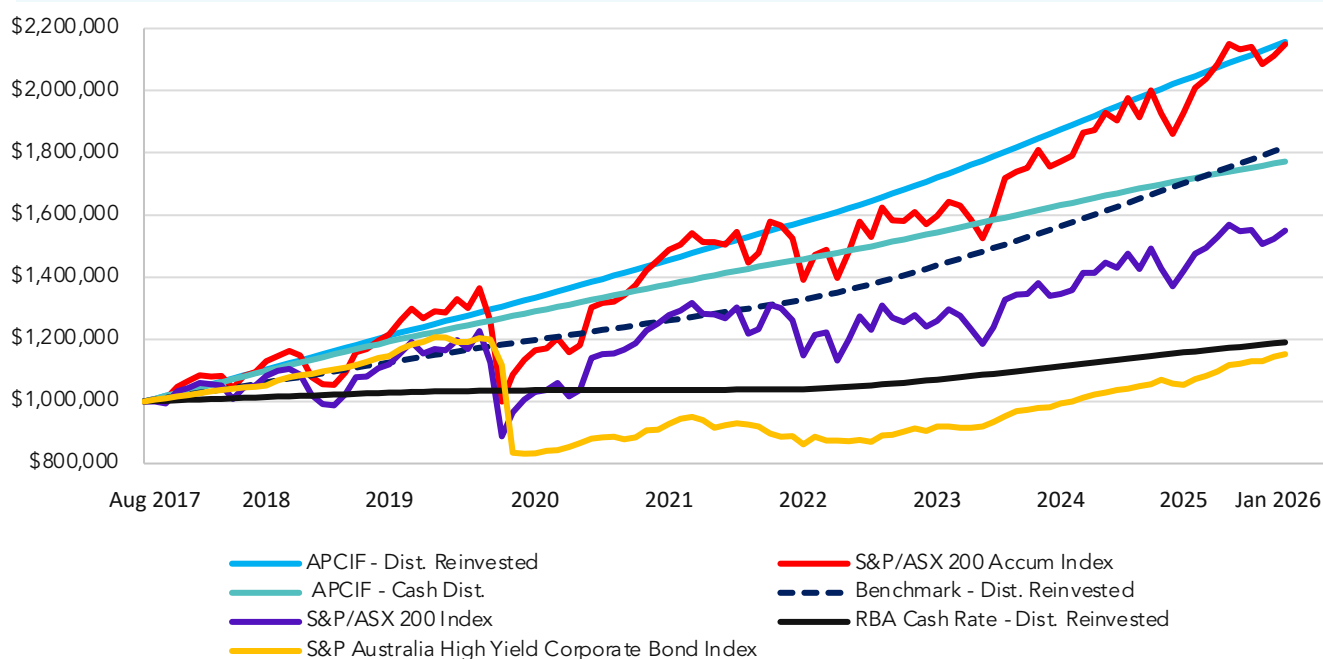
	1-mth	3-mth	6-mth	1-yr	2-yr (p.a.)	3-yr (p.a.)	5-yr (p.a.)	7-yr (p.a.)	Since Inc. (cum) <sup>(1)</sup>	Since Inc.(p.a.)
APCIF	0.66%	2.00%	3.99%	8.26%	8.96%	9.19%	8.96%	9.10%	115.71%	9.47%
Benchmark <sup>(2)</sup>	0.73%	2.18%	4.41%	9.15%	9.45%	9.43%	8.04%	7.40%	81.76%	7.28%
RBA Cash Rate	0.31%	0.91%	1.83%	3.85%	4.14%	4.12%	2.80%	2.19%	18.99%	2.07%
Outperformance	-0.07%	-0.18%	-0.42%	-0.88%	-0.50%	-0.24%	0.92%	1.70%	33.95%	2.18%

Performance net of fees and expenses (1) Inception date 1-Aug-17, (2) RBA cash rate plus 5% p.a.  
Returns assume reinvestment of all distributions. Past performance is not a reliable indication of future performance.

## Distribution History

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
2017/18		0.84%	0.87%	0.91%	0.89%	0.93%	0.93%	0.84%	0.93%	0.86%	0.92%	0.88%
2018/19	0.91%	0.90%	0.87%	0.90%	0.86%	0.90%	0.82%	0.79%	0.85%	0.79%	0.84%	0.83%
2019/20	0.75%	0.74%	0.75%	0.78%	0.72%	0.72%	0.73%	0.73%	0.75%	0.72%	0.73%	0.72%
2020/21	0.74%	0.76%	0.74%	0.73%	0.72%	0.74%	0.75%	0.67%	0.74%	0.73%	0.74%	0.65%
2021/22	0.75%	0.72%	0.71%	0.71%	0.71%	0.66%	0.73%	0.63%	0.62%	0.64%	0.60%	0.61%
2022/23	0.67%	0.67%	0.68%	0.70%	0.68%	0.73%	0.79%	0.68%	0.79%	0.74%	0.75%	0.78%
2023/24	0.81%	0.80%	0.79%	0.77%	0.77%	0.81%	0.78%	0.77%	0.81%	0.78%	0.81%	0.75%
2024/25	0.79%	0.76%	0.78%	0.76%	0.74%	0.77%	0.73%	0.65%	0.75%	0.62%	0.68%	0.67%
2025/26	0.67%	0.67%	0.62%	0.65%	0.66%	0.66%	0.66%					

## A \$1M Investment in the Aura Private Credit Income Fund (net of fees and expenses)



Source: S&P/ASX 200 (^XJOA) Accumulation Index.

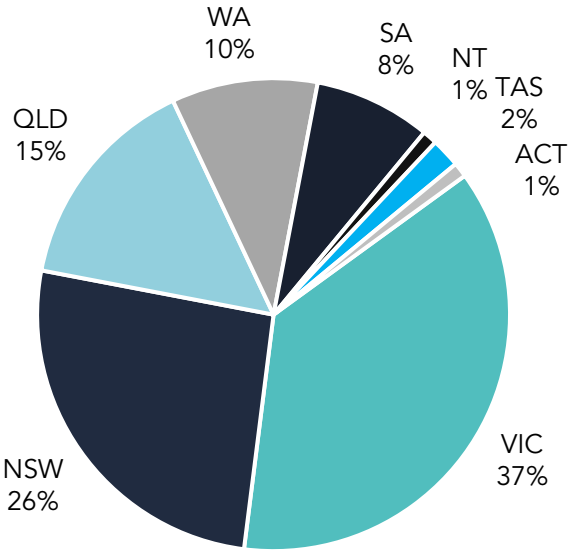
Source: S&P Global - S&P Australia High Yield Corporate Bond Index Historical Data.

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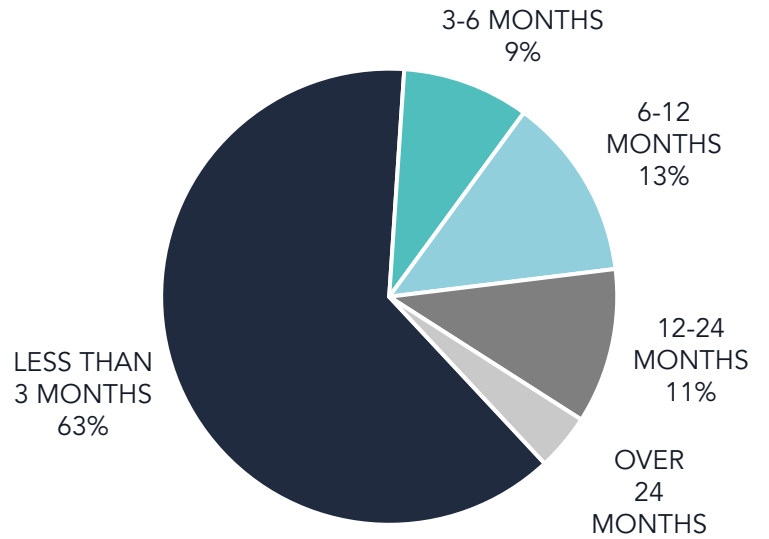
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The Cash Distribution shown in the chart above represents initial capital invested plus the sum of each of the monthly cash distributions paid to an investor who elected not to reinvest. It does not reflect an investment balance and does not take into account a number of variables such as time value of money or how an investor chooses to use the cash distribution.

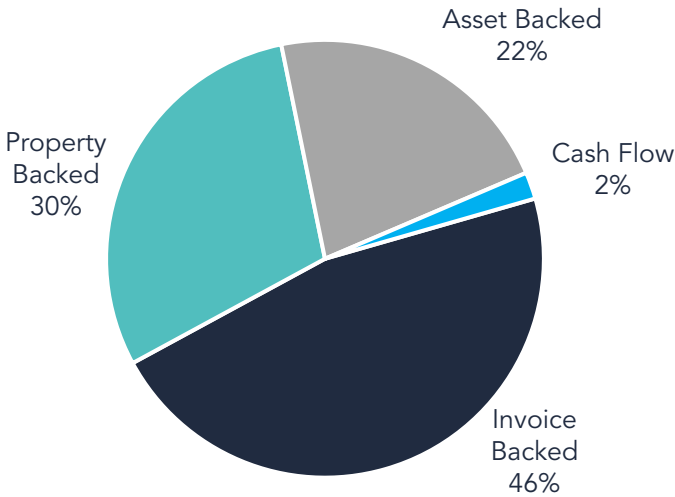
### Geographic Split



### Duration Split



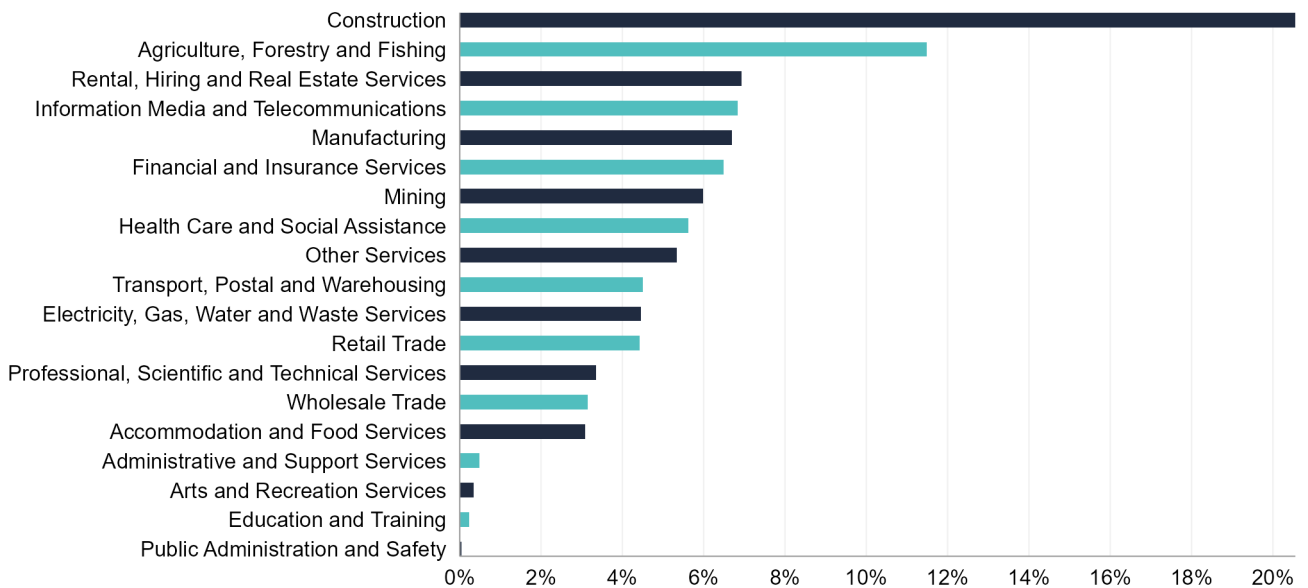
### Asset Split



### 30-Day Loan Arrears



### Industry Split



The exposure to Construction is largely attributable to Property Secured Bridging Loans; with Working Capital Loans, Asset Financing and Invoice Financing accounting for the balance. The Fund is not exposed to physical Property Development.

# Aura Private Credit Income Fund

## January 2026 Monthly Report

This commentary uses information current as at 12:00am 13/02/2026.

### Word from Investment Manager

The Aura Private Credit Income Fund has now paid 102 consecutive monthly returns, averaging 0.76 per cent with a monthly range of 0.60 per cent and 0.93 per cent. The Fund generated an annual compounded return of 8.26% for the 12 months to 31 January 2026, and an annualised return of 9.47% since inception, net of fees and expenses, on a distribution reinvested basis\*. Since inception, the Fund has outperformed both the S&P/ASX 200 Accumulation Index and the S&P Australian High Yield Corporate Bond Index on a cumulative return basis.

#### Key results for the month include:

- 30-day plus arrears sit at 2.89%;
- Distribution of 66 basis points (0.66%); and
- NAV stable at \$1.00

### NAB Monthly Business Survey <sup>1</sup>

The January 2026 NAB Business Survey was conducted before the latest RBA decision to raise interest rates by 25 basis points, to 3.85%. The survey results indicate easing price pressures, with both cost and price growth moderating. This could be positive for the near-term inflation outlook and suggests that temporary factors and outliers may have contributed to the recent spike in inflation.

Business confidence improved slightly in January, rising by one point, although it remains just below its long-term average. Business conditions fell by three points, reversing the gains seen in December. This was mainly due to softer trading conditions and profitability, although both are still sitting modestly above average in trend terms, which aligns with steady economic growth.

	November 2025	December 2025	January 2026
Labour Costs	1.6%	1.7%	1.3%
Purchase Costs	1.3%	1.3%	1.1%
Final Product Prices	0.6%	0.8%	0.5%
Retail Prices	0.8%	0.5%	0.3%

Source: NAB Business Survey, January 2026

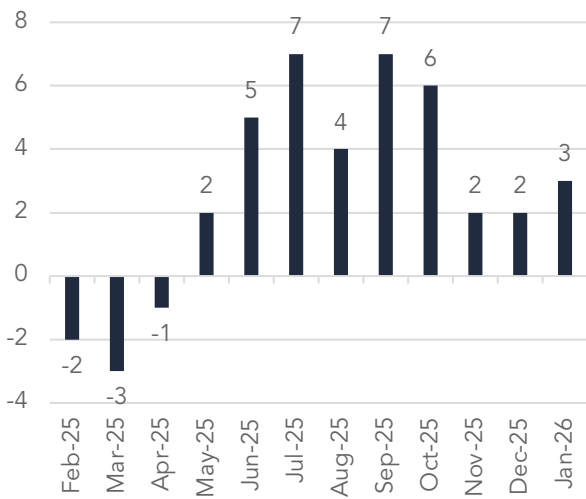
Importantly, costs and price pressures have eased further, falling to their lowest levels since the pandemic. Input costs are still rising faster than output prices; however, overall inflationary momentum continues to moderate. Cost growth has slowed across all categories, as shown in the table below, which measures the percentage change on a quarterly basis. All cost and price growth measures are now at their lowest levels since 2021.

Capacity utilisation has eased slightly but remains high and above average for most industries. Forward orders rebounded strongly in January, offering a positive outlook from businesses. Private sector activity remains resilient, and the slowdown in price growth is encouraging. Inflationary pressures are influenced by both public and private spending, and while the slowdown in cost pressures reported in these surveys is positive, it might have a limited impact on ongoing inflation. The next CPI figure will be closely watched to determine whether inflationary pressures are persistent or due to temporary factors. Either way, the RBA forecasts inflation will remain above its 2%-3% target range for the rest of 2026, which could lead to further monetary policy actions.

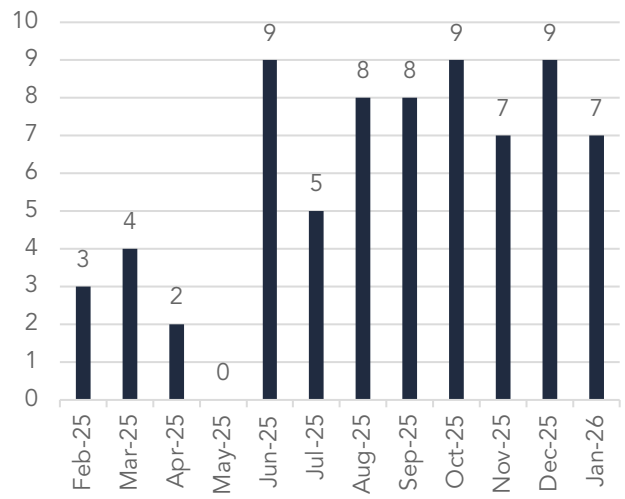
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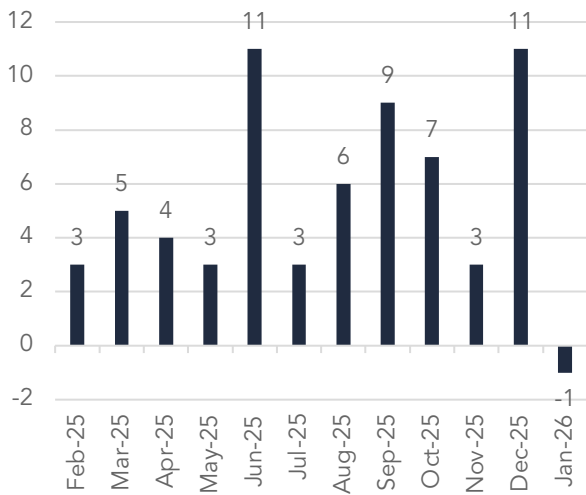
## BUSINESS CONFIDENCE



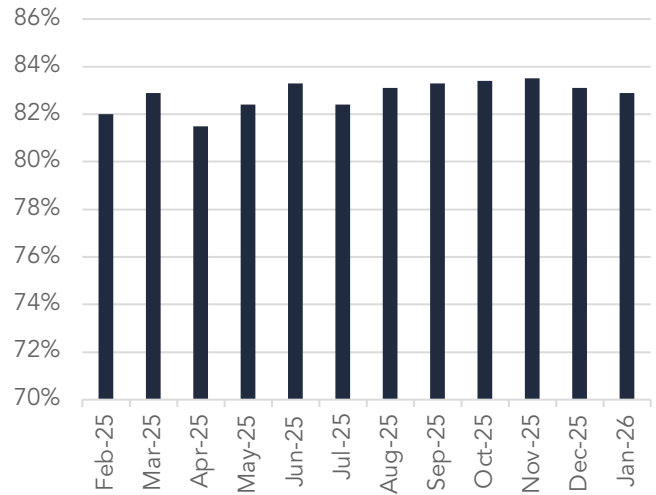
## BUSINESS CONDITIONS



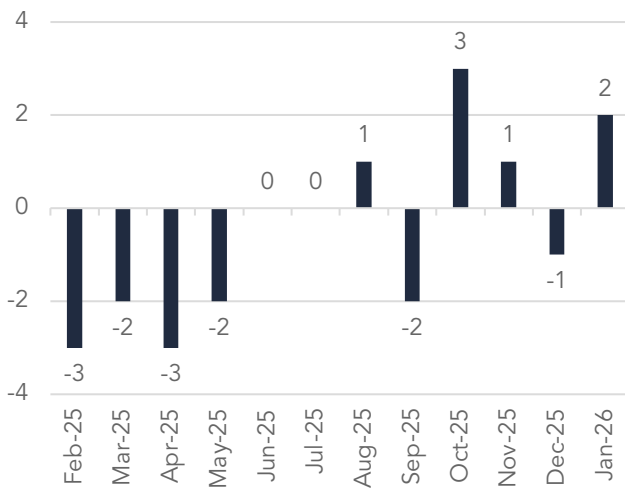
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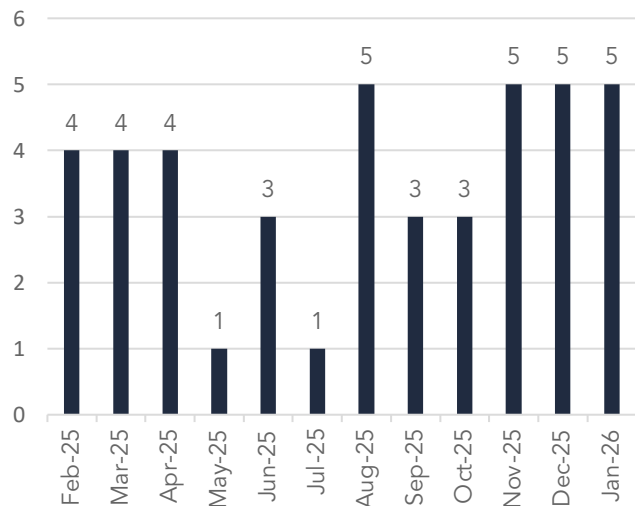
## CAPACITY UTILISATION



## FORWARD ORDERS



## EMPLOYMENT



## January Portfolio

### Arrears

The 30-day arrears in January stood at 2.89%. Arrears remain within the Fund's acceptable range. As previously noted, one underlying property is currently under the lender's management. The workout process continues, with the appointed mortgagee in possession working closely with the lender to recover the full principal and interest balance. All parties remain confident that a full recovery is achievable.

### Risk Appetite and Volumes

The Fund maintains a cautious stance amid evolving economic conditions. The latest RBA hike is expected to signal the beginning of a broader tightening cycle, with inflation forecast to remain above the target band until at least June 2027. In this climate, lenders are focusing more on underlying credit quality and collateral strength, as higher rates can increase pressure on borrowers' ability to service debt. We continue to partner only with lenders we consider best-in-class within their specialised segments and remain confident in their underwriting discipline across all market conditions.

### **Portfolio Management Commentary\***

The Fund delivered a 66-basis-point return in January. January was also a strong month for deployment, with lenders and borrowers returning from holidays and beginning the year with robust flows. Deployment varied across lenders through property-backed and insurance premium funding.

Ongoing pipeline forecasts are encouraging, showing potential for further deployment into quality assets. The investment team continues to source new originators to expand the panel. They are also working on reducing cash holdings by sourcing high-quality assets to fund through our originators. We expect this to translate into improved returns as funds are invested.

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