

CLIFFWATER DIRECT LENDING INDEX

Index Snapshot

Start Date

2004

Assets

\$315B

Yield

11.97%

Number of Loans

~14,800

Data as of December 31, 2023

The Cliffwater Direct Lending Index (CDLI) seeks to measure the unlevered, gross of fee performance of U.S. middle market corporate loans, as represented by the asset-weighted performance of the underlying assets of Business Development Companies (BDCs), including both exchange-traded and unlisted BDCs, subject to certain eligibility requirements.

You can't define an asset class without an index.

We developed the first published and widely accepted index that tracks performance of private middle market loans, the largest segment of the private credit market.

Private debt is a popular asset class. We were there first.

An asset-weighted index of ~14,800 directly originated middle market loans totaling \$315B.

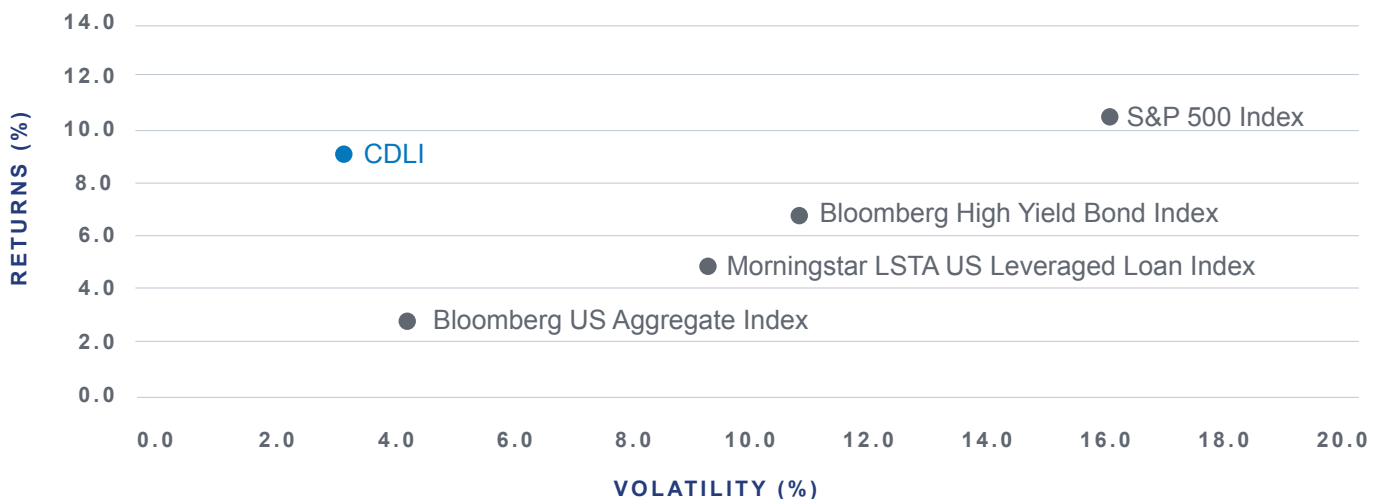
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An authority on private debt with \$102B total assets. (\$79B AUA and \$23B AUM)¹

¹As of 2/29/24. Totals may not sum due to rounding.

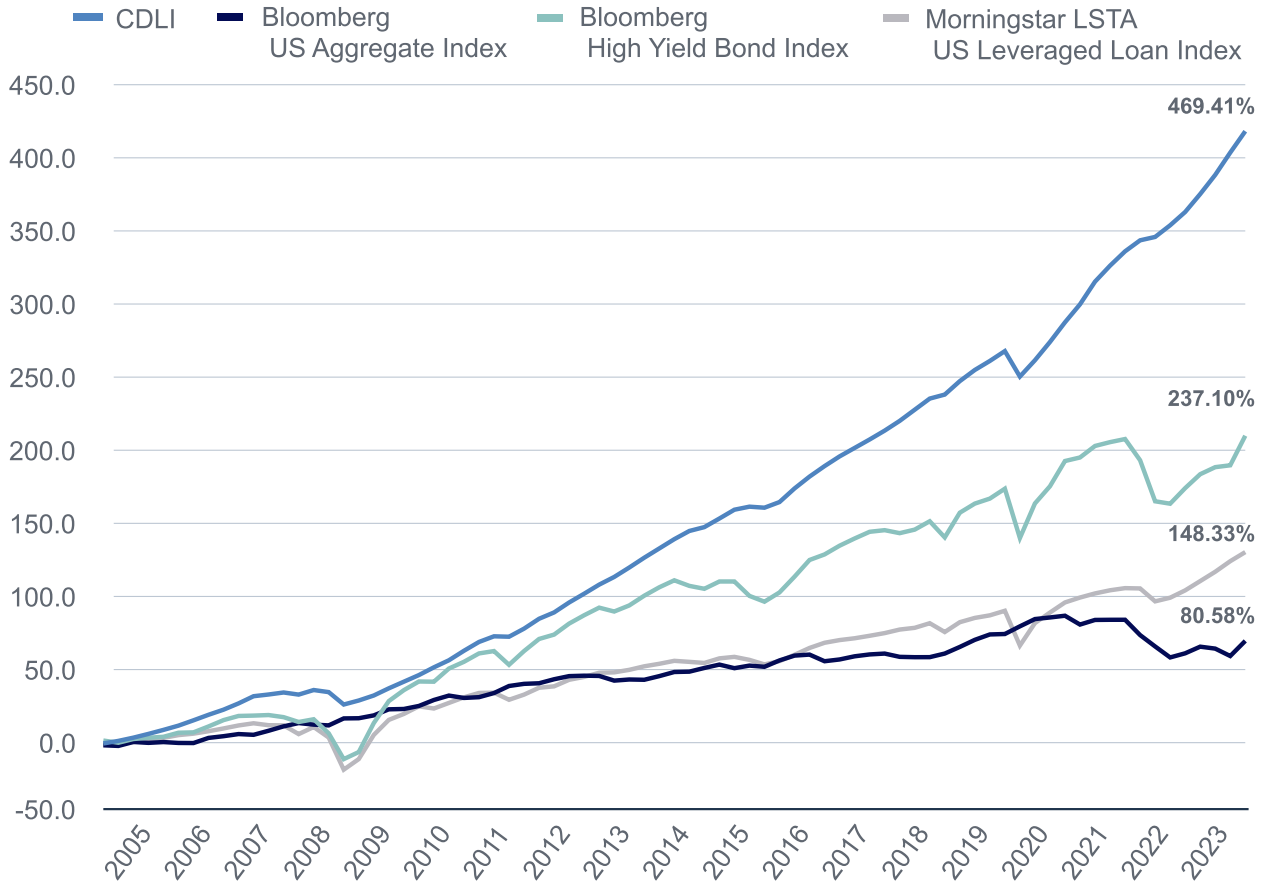
Comparing Risk and Return Across Select Asset Classes

(Q4 2004 through Q4 2023 Annualized)



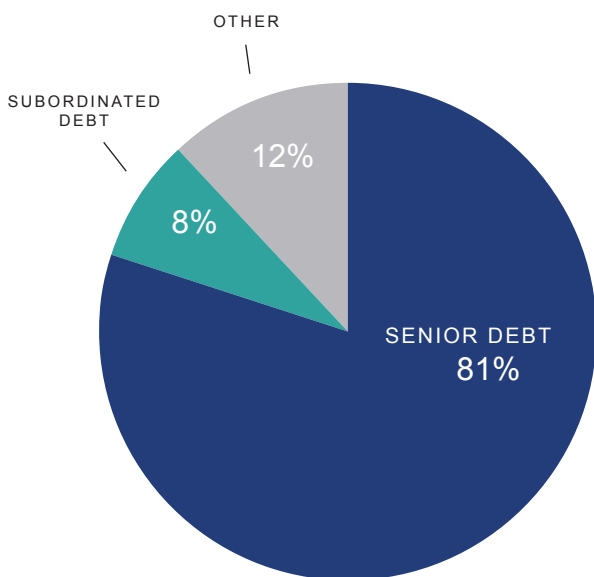
Cumulative Returns (%)

Through December 31, 2023



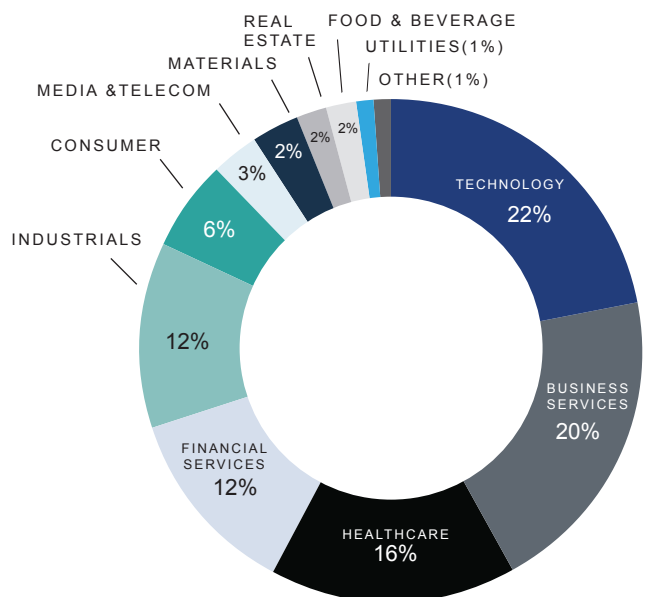
Asset Seniority

Asset Seniority displays the composition by seniority of the underlying assets of the individual BDCs included in the CDLI. Information is updated quarterly based on company SEC filings.



Industry Composition

Industry Composition displays the diversification among the constituents of the CDLI. Weights are determined by the aggregate fair value of the loans.



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