



Debtor In Possession Loans: A Lender's Perspective

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IS A LACK OF LIQUIDITY FOR DIP LOANS HAMPERING THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY?

**MAYBE A LITTLE –
BUT IT’S MUCH MORE
COMPLICATED THAN
THAT.**

Liquidity is Only One Contributing Factor

- Bankruptcy has fundamentally changed.
- Companies are much more difficult to restructure.
- And – Oh Yes - Liquidity is certainly an issue – but not for DIP's

DIP Lending – a Historical Perspective

- Banca Rota.
- Bankruptcy Globally.
- Bankruptcy in the U.S.

Bankruptcy Reform Act 1978

- Main purpose of the Act was to delineate the role of Debtor in Possession. Prior case law was unclear and contradictory.
- Clarified the concepts of pre and post petition rights and the automatic stay.
- As a secondary issue, for the first time the Act provided statutory protections to lenders to Chapter 11 Debtors.
 - Introduced concept of super-priority claim
 - Established the concept of a priming lien.
- Resulted in several new businesses:
 - Protection of DIP loans made it possible for banks to set up specialized lending practices.
 - Recognized the role of professionals and the requirement to pay “market” rates for professional fees. As a result, major law firms, investment banks and consulting firms began to specialize in Chapter 11 advisory.

DIP Loans Are Still New

- The Act intended DIP lending only to encourage trade credit.
- Took time for banks to get comfortable with legal status and form businesses around it.
- Establishment of syndication market came slowly
 - Chemical Bank established syndication market in early 1980's.
 - Rating Agencies began issuing ratings much later
- First large scale candidates were the large leveraged loans of the late 1980s.
 - Simple (but over leveraged) capital structures.
 - Largely stock secured – leaving ample unencumbered current assets – Allied/Federated.

- Super priority claim.
- High excess liquidity.
- Primarily working capital financing.
- Low usage/short tenor.
- High probability of emergence.

Code Revisions - 2005 amendment

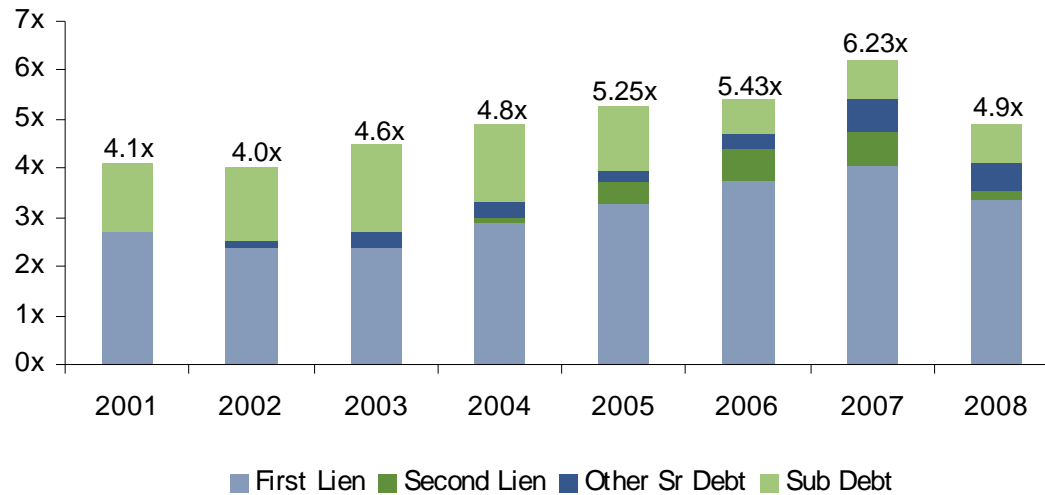
- Special interest legislation many years in the making.
- Largely consumer oriented legislation: Made it more difficult to discharge credit card obligations.
- As a secondary issue the act responded to lobbying efforts from from numerous special interest groups.
 - Shortened time frames for retailers debtors in Chapter 11 to assume or reject leases to 210 days – with no judicial discretion to extend.
 - Enhanced rights of trade vendor who shipped within 20 days of the filing.
 - Also granted certain creditors the right to receive deposits in bankruptcy that were previously discretionary (i.e. utilities).
- Unintended consequence has been to make it much more difficult for debtors to successfully reorganize before losing control of the case.

What Has Changed Since 1978?

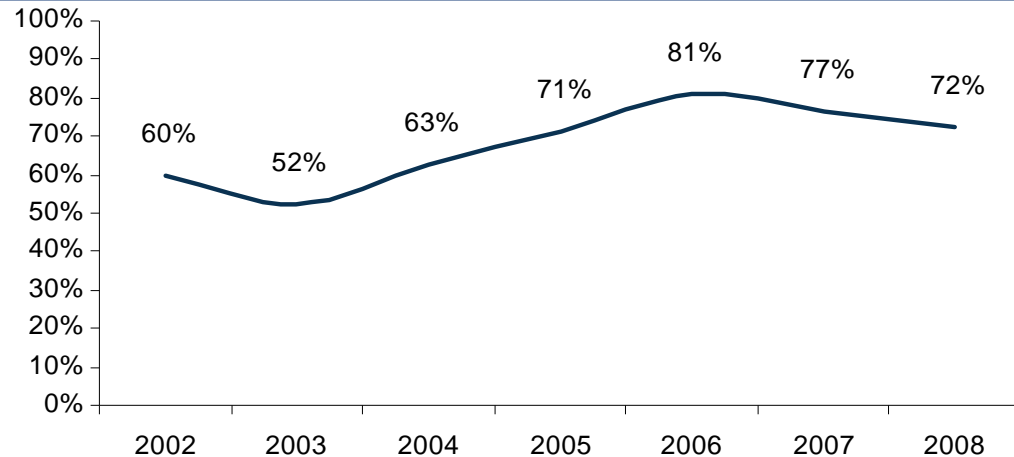
- Different capital structures:
 - More leverage.
 - Complex, multi-tiered.
 - Higher senior secured leverage.
 - Institutional investors holding loans – not banks.
 - Changes to term/revolver mix.
- Greater uncertainty as to viability of companies entering bankruptcy.
- Scale of bankrupt companies.
- Market convergence and trading.

Expanded Leverage and More Reliance on Secured Debt

Average Leverage Multiples of Large Corporate LBOs

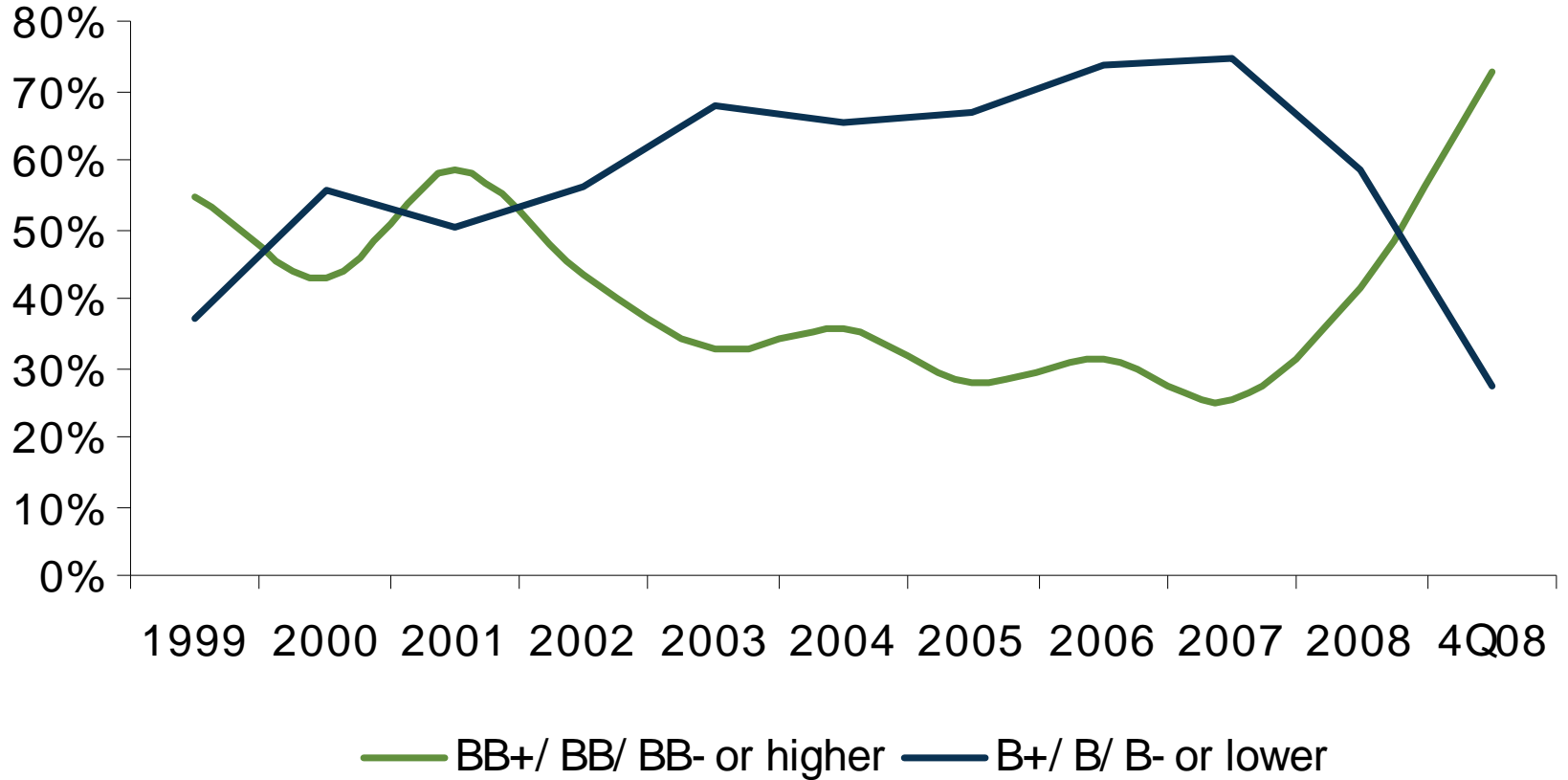


Senior Secured Debt as % of Total Debt



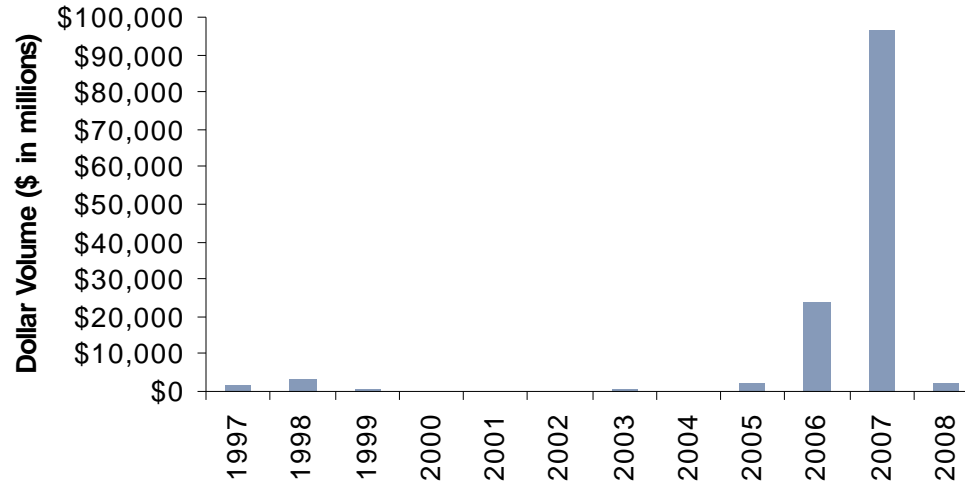
More Leverage Means Lower Ratings

Rated New-Issue Loan Volume by Corporate Rating

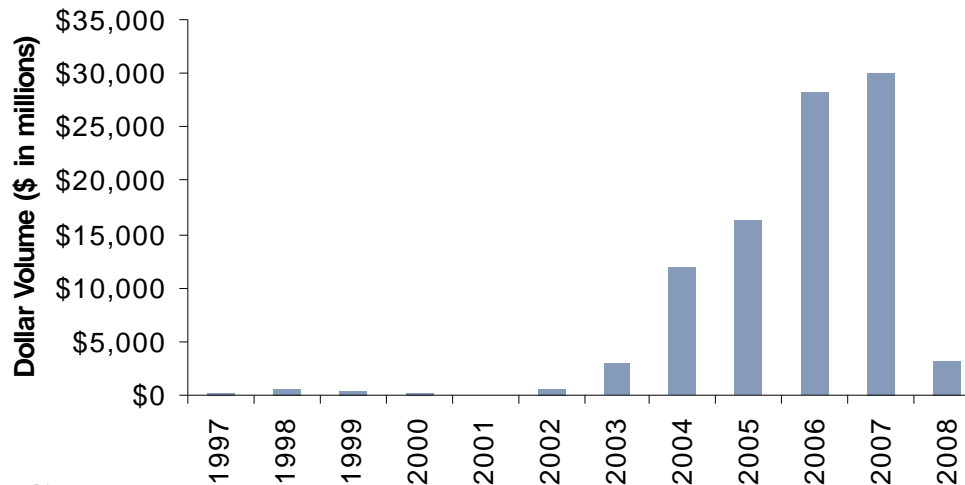


Capital Structures Grow More Complex

Covenant Lite Issuance Volume



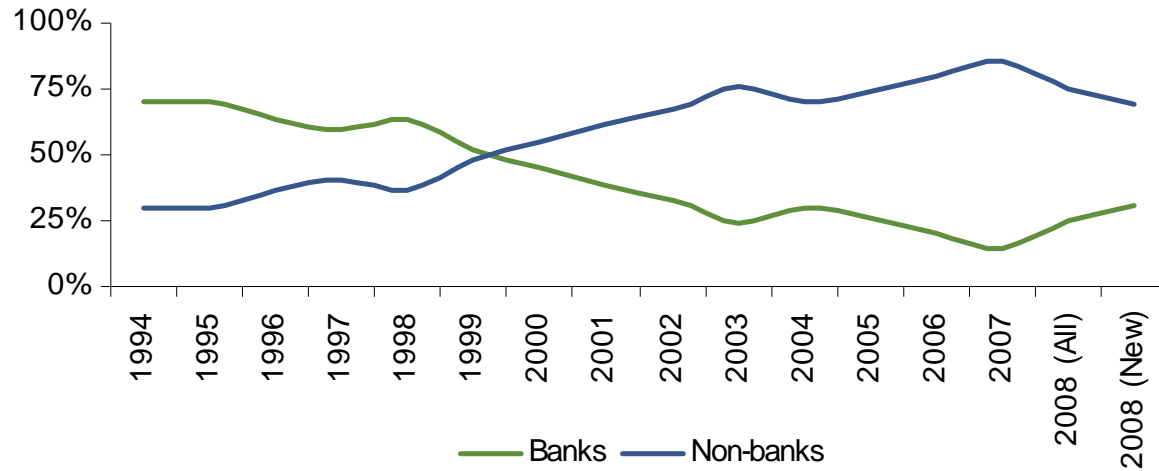
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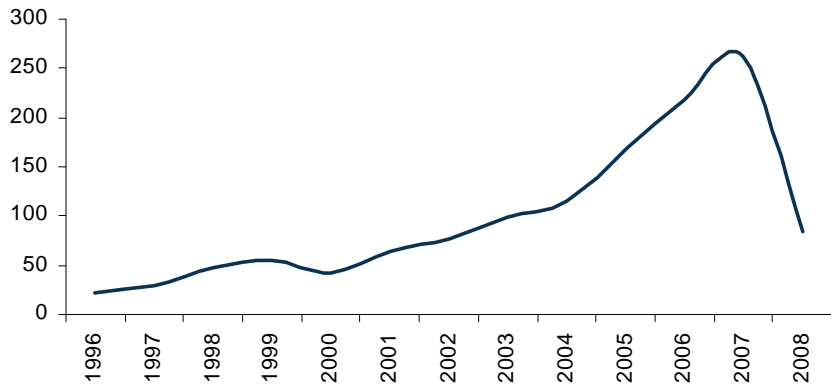
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Vastly Different Investor Mix Over Time

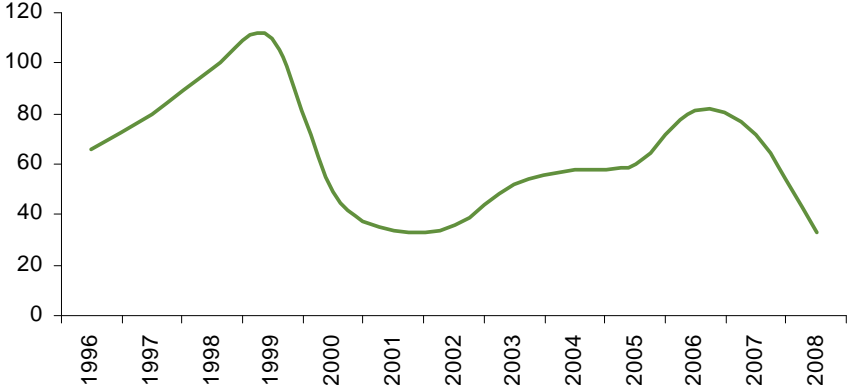
Loan Market Investor Composition: Banks vs. Non-Banks



Active Institutional Loan Investor Groups



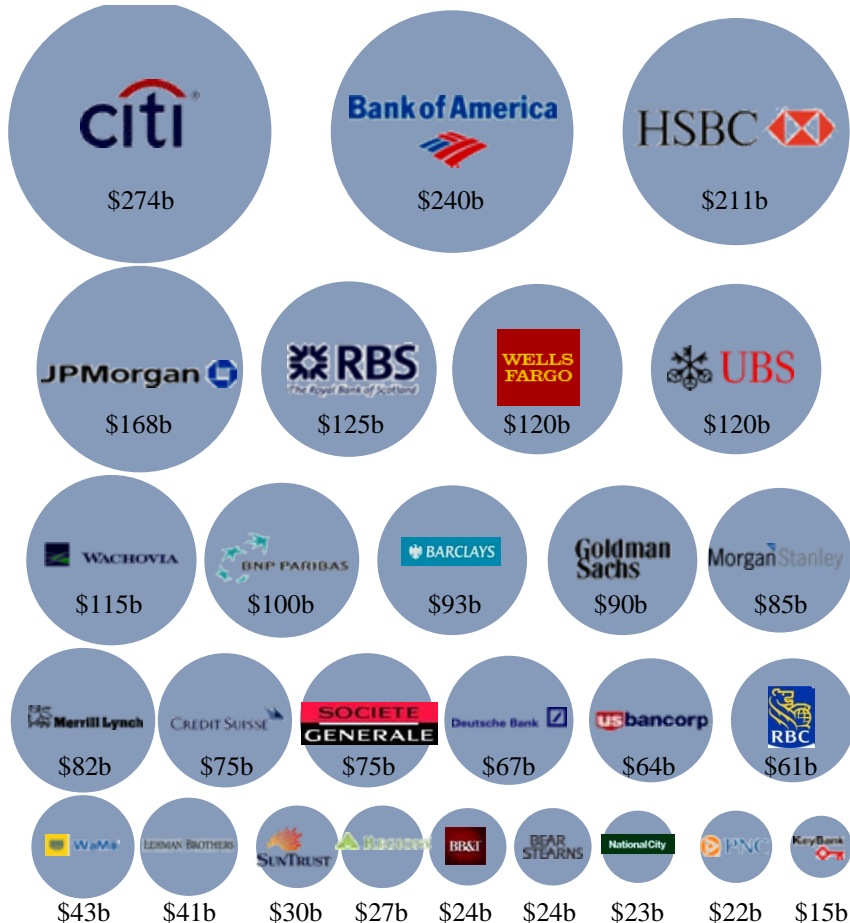
Active Pro Rata Investors



Fewer Banks Globally Impacts Liquidity

Bank Market Capitalization

January 1, 2007



March 11, 2009



Also Contributing to the Mess

- Multi-jurisdictional bankruptcies
- Mark to Market accounting
- More sophisticated:
 - Documentation issues
 - Legal horsepower
 - Restructuring advisors
- Distressed debt trading
 - Expansion into mainstream activity.
 - Few true “loan to own” investors.
 - Limited experience with running companies and liquidation.

DIP Lending has become More Complex Over Time

Number of Pages in DIP Rating Methodologies

- Standard & Poor's 2003 3 Pages
- Fitch 2006 6 Pages
- Moody's 2009 16 Pages

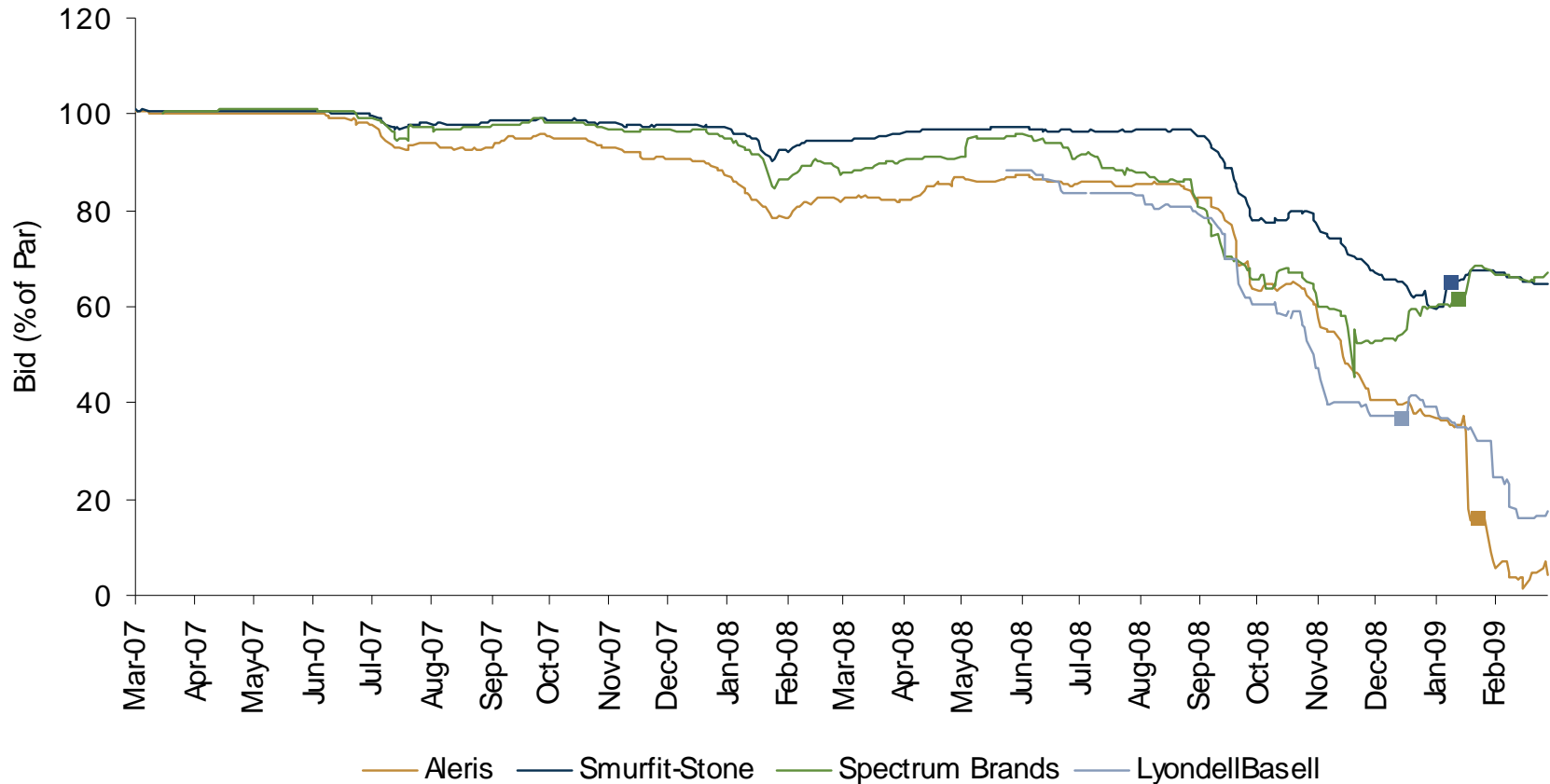
- Nature of Bankruptcy Filing and Reorganization: 15%
- Structural Features of DIP Loan: 25%
- DIP as Percent of Pre-Petition Debt: 10%
- Collateral Coverage: 50%

Why Make a DIP Loan?

- Because you feel you have to.
- Because it enhances your investment:
 - Yield.
 - Position in capital structure.
 - Certainty of repayment – certainty of exit.
- Because it's a good loan.
 - Many fewer of these than in the past.

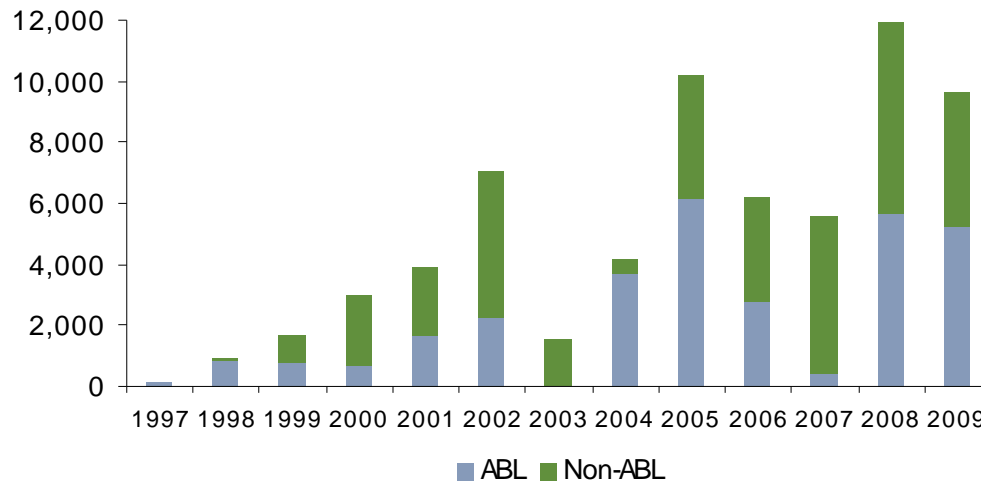
All Bankruptcies are Not Created Equal

Trading Levels of Pre-Petition Debt for Recent Bankruptcies



Where is the Shortage?

DIP Volume



Largest DIP Loans in 2009

Borrower	Deal Size	Industry	Signing Date
LyondellBasell Industries	\$4,765,000,000	Chemicals	1/23/2009
Aleris International Inc	\$1,504,700,000	Metals & Mining	2/5/2009
Smurfit-Stone Container	\$750,000,000	Forest Product	1/29/2009
BearingPoint Inc	\$402,000,000	Services & Leasing	1/30/2009
Chemtura Corp	\$400,000,000	Chemicals	3/10/2009
Spectrum Brands	\$190,000,000	Computers & Electronics	1/28/2009
Heartland Automotive	\$187,700,000	Automotive	1/9/2009
Hartmarx Corp	\$160,000,000	Textile & Apparel	1/19/2009
Gottschalks Inc	\$125,000,000	Retail	1/6/2009
Tronox Inc	\$125,000,000	Chemicals	1/9/2009

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- Uncertainty over cash flow, debt capacity and viability.
- Too much debt being brought into the bankruptcy.
- Bond market not a great alternative given timing issues.
- Challenging syndication makes underwriting and bridging very challenging.

Conclusion

- Globally – orderly wind down. US is unique – Debtor in Possession.
- Facts on the ground have run in front of the code.
- Revisions make it more difficult for debtor to keep control.
- Leveraged entities of unprecedented scale.
- Much lower probability of emergence today.
- Bankruptcy is a much poorer tool for rehabilitation.
- Liquidity is an issue – but not the main one.
- Too many companies filing bankruptcy without appropriate preparation.

Good credit can attract capital