

# Middle Market Breakdown

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Despite other views, the middle market has three parts, each with their own features.

|                                   | Lower<br>Middle Market         | Traditional<br>Middle Market                        | Upper<br>Middle Market                         | Broadly Syndicated<br>Market |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Company Size<br>(EBITDA)          | \$3 to \$15 million            | \$15 to \$75 million                                | \$75 to \$150 million                          | \$150+ million               |
| Size of Lending<br>Group          | 1 to 5                         | 3 to 5                                              | 10 to 25                                       | 25 to 100+                   |
| Borrower<br>Compliance<br>Metrics | Traditional Covenants          | Traditional Covenants                               | Majority Covenant-Lite                         | Covenant-Lite                |
| Loan Sourcing                     | Direct<br>transactional driven | Direct<br>relationship driven                       | Relationship driven via<br>agents and sponsors | Buyer model                  |
| Liquidity                         | Illiquid                       | Relatively illiquid                                 | Partially illiquid                             | Liquid                       |
| Level Of<br>Borrower<br>Diligence | Primary<br>due diligence       | Extensive primary and/or<br>secondary due diligence | Primary and secondary due<br>diligence         | Less<br>due diligence        |

Source: Churchill Asset Management