JOHN HANCOCK PREFERRED INCOME FUND Form N-Q December 28, 2009

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### **FORM N-Q**

## QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANIES

Investment Company Act file number 811-21131

<u>John Hancock Preferred Income Fund</u> (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

601 Congress Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02210 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Salvatore Schiavone, Treasurer

601 Congress Street

Boston, Massachusetts 02210

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 617-663-4497

Date of fiscal year end: July 31

Date of reporting period: October 31, 2009

ITEM 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

## John Hancock Preferred Income Fund Securities owned by the Fund on

October 31, 2009 (Unaudited)

	Rate	Maturity date	Par value	Val
Corporate Bonds 9.38%				\$40,781,0
(Cost \$42,761,492)				
Energy 1.66%				7,216,0
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels 1.66 %				
Southern Union Co.,				
Jr Sub Note, Ser A (7.200% to 11-01-11 then variable - LIBOR $+30$ ) (Z)	7.200%	11/01/66	8,800,000	7,216,0
Financials 1.31%				5,700,0
Commercial Banks 1.31 %				
Lloyds TSB Bank PLC,				
Sub Note	6.900	11/22/49	7,500,000	5,700,0
Utilities 6.41%				27,865,0
Electric Utilities 6.41 %				
DPL Capital Trust II,				
Gtd Sub Bond	8.125	09/01/31	24,000,000	22,980,6
Entergy Gulf States, Inc.,				
1st Mtg Bond (Z)	6.200	07/01/33	5,000,000	4,884,4
			Shares	Val
Common Stocks 1.62%				\$7,034,2
(Cost \$6,941,926)				
Energy 0.13%				566,20
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels 0.13 %				
BP PLC			10,000	566,2

Telecommunication Services 1.36%		5,911,0
Diversified Telecommunication Services 1.36 %		
AT&T, Inc.	115,000	2,952,0
Verizon Communications, Inc.	100,000	2,959,0
Utilities 0.13%		557,0
Gas Utilities 0.13 %		
Atmos Energy Corp.	20,000	557,0
	Shares	Val
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Preferred Stocks 141.13%		\$613,236,4
(Cost \$709,905,245)		
Consumer Discretionary 11.55%		50,195,2
Media 11.55 %		
CBS Corp., 6.750% (Z)	247,000	5,132,6
CBS Corp., 7.250%	67,000	1,440,5
Comcast Corp., 7.000% (Z)	227,000	5,529,7
Comcast Corp., 7.000%, Ser B (Z)	634,000	15,494,9
Viacom, Inc., 6.850% (Z)	985,065	22,597,3

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Consumer Staples 2.09%		9,080,500
Food & Staples Retailing 2.09 %		
Ocean Spray Cranberries, Inc., 6.250%, Ser A (S)(Z)	143,000	9,080,500

Energy 7.68%		33,362,880
Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels 7.68 %		
Nexen, Inc., 7.350% (Z)	1,316,000	30,768,080
Southern Union Co., 7.550%, Ser A (Z)	104,000	2,594,800
Financials 75.78%		329,289,186
Capital Markets 10.99 %		
Credit Suisse Guernsey, 7.900%	172,000	4,257,000
Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., 6.200%, Ser B (Z)	250,000	6,265,000
Lehman Brothers Holdings Capital Trust III, 6.375%, Ser K (I)	150,000	57,000
Lehman Brothers Holdings, Inc., 5.940%, Depositary Shares, Ser C (I)	175,600	36,876
Merrill Lynch Preferred Capital Trust III, 7.000% (Z)	366,400	7,038,544
Merrill Lynch Preferred Capital Trust IV, 7.120% (Z)	278,752	5,441,239
Merrill Lynch Preferred Capital Trust V, 7.280% (Z)	367,000	7,387,710
Morgan Stanley Capital Trust III, 6.250% (Z)	238,100	5,026,291
Morgan Stanley Capital Trust IV, 6.250% (Z)	200,000	4,138,000
Morgan Stanley Capital Trust V, 5.750% (Z)	390,000	7,605,000
Morgan Stanley Capital Trust VI, 6.600%	22,500	495,225
Commercial Banks 21.46 %		
Barclays Bank PLC, 7.100%, Ser 3	50,000	1,072,000
Barclays Bank PLC, 8.125%, Ser 5 (Z)	690,000	16,249,500
Fleet Capital Trust VIII, 7.200% (Z)	480,000	9,758,400
PFGI Capital Corp., 7.750% (Z)	796,000	19,490,523
Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC, 5.750%, Ser L	583,133	6,536,921
Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC, 6.350%, Ser N (Z)	25,000	257,000
Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC, 7.250%, Ser T (Z)	59,000	692,660
Santander Finance Preferred SA, 10.500%	220,000	6,019,200
Sovereign Bancorp, Inc., 7.300%, Depositary Shares, Ser C (Z)	130,067	3,264,682
USB Capital VIII, 6.350%, Ser 1 (Z)	213,000	4,645,530
USB Capital X, 6.500% (Z)	72,500	1,631,975
USB Capital XI, 6.600%	190,000	4,297,800
Wells Fargo & Co., 8.000% (Z)	685,000	16,748,250
Wells Fargo Capital Trust IV, 7.000% (Z)	108,100	2,607,372
Consumer Finance 6.74 %		
HSBC Finance Corp., 6.000% (Z)	134,200	2,940,322
HSBC Finance Corp., 6.360%, Depositary Shares, Ser B (Z)	297,000	5,672,700
HSBC Finance Corp., 6.875% (Z)	400,000	9,396,000

HSBC Holdings PLC, 6.200%, Ser A (Z)	161,000	3,458,280
SLM Corp., 6.000% (Z)	194,100	3,016,314
SLM Corp., 6.970%, Ser A (Z)	147,391	4,819,686
Diversified Financial Services 20.17 %		
Bank of America Corp., 6.204%, Depositary Shares, Ser D (Z)	265,000	4,709,050
Bank of America Corp., 8.200% (Z)	260,000	5,735,600
Bank of America Corp., 8.625% (Z)	95,000	2,208,750
CIT Group, Inc., 6.350%, Ser A (Z)	145,000	75,400
Citigroup Capital VII, 7.125%	200,000	3,972,000
Citigroup Capital VIII, 6.950%	610,000	11,541,200
Deutsche Bank Capital Funding Trust VIII, 6.375%	25,000	535,250
Deutsche Bank Capital Funding Trust X, 7.350%	78,000	1,759,680
Deutsche Bank Contingent Capital Trust II, 6.550% (Z)	231,700	4,728,997

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#### Financials (continued)

Deutsche Bank Contingent Capital Trust III, 7.600% (Z)	460,000	10,607,600
General Electric Capital Corp., 6.000%	20,000	464,200
General Electric Capital Corp., 6.050%	19,000	453,150
General Electric Capital Corp., 6.625%	104,300	2,536,576
ING Groep NV, 7.050% (Z)	755,100	12,949,965
ING Groep NV, 7.200% (Z)	100,000	1,775,000
ING Groep NV, 6.125% (Z)	61,500	962,475
JPMorgan Chase Capital X, 7.000%, Ser J (Z)	570,000	14,301,300
RBS Capital Funding Trust V, 5.900% (Z)	622,000	6,114,260
RBS Capital Funding Trust VII, 6.080% (Z)	220,000	2,206,600
Insurance 10.98 %		
Aegon NV, 6.375% (Z)	450,900	7,484,940
Aegon NV, 6.500% (Z)	123,000	1,997,520
Lincoln National Capital VI, 6.750%, Ser F (Z)	175,800	3,596,868
MetLife, Inc., 6.500%, Ser B (Z)	889,000	19,317,970
PLC Capital Trust IV, 7.250% (Z)	237,500	4,966,125

PLC Capital Trust V, 6.125% (Z) Prudential PLC, 6.500% (Z) RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd., 6.080%, Ser C (Z)	256,000 145,000 147,500	4,538,880 3,030,500 2,761,200
Real Estate Investment Trusts 3.81 %  Duke Realty Corp., 6.500%, Depositary Shares, Ser K (Z)	110,000	1,947,000
Duke Realty Corp., 6.600%, Depositary Shares, Ser L (Z)	109,840	1,977,120
Duke Realty Corp., 6.625%, Depositary Shares, Ser J (Z)	66,525	1,184,810
Public Storage, Inc., 7.500%, Depositary Shares, Ser V (Z)	300,000	7,455,000
Wachovia Preferred Funding Corp., 7.250%, Ser A (Z)	200,000	3,970,000
Thrifts & Mortgage Finance 1.63 %		
Federal National Mortgage Assn. (8.250% to 12-13-10, then		
variable) (I)	80,000	92,000
Sovereign Capital Trust V, 7.750% (Z)	295,000	7,009,200
Materials 0.27%		1,177,000
Metals & Mining 0.27 %		
Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold, Inc., 6.750%	11,000	1,177,000
Telecommunication Services 8.76%		38,039,633
Telecommunication Services 8.76%  Diversified Telecommunication Services 0.13 %		38,039,633
	21,000	<b>38,039,633</b> 545,370
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Utilities (continued)			
Interstate Power & Light Co., 8.375%, Ser B (Z)		713,350	19,795,463
NSTAR Electric Co., 4.780% (Z)		15,143	1,155,128
PPL Electric Utilities Corp., 6.250%, Depositary Shares (Z)		230,000	5,347,500
PPL Energy Supply, LLC, 7.000% (Z)		554,610	14,231,293
Southern California Edison Co., 6.125% (Z)		119,000	10,419,938
Westar Energy, Inc., 6.100% (Z)		111,100	2,688,620
Gas Utilities 2.35 %			
Southwest Gas Capital II, 7.700% (Z)		410,850	10,217,840
Multi-Utilities 8.05 %			
BGE Capital Trust II, 6.200% (Z)		639,325	13,745,488
Dominion Resources, Inc., 8.375%, Ser A		361,200	9,672,936
DTE Energy Trust I, 7.800% (Z)		110,000	2,788,500
Public Service Electric & Gas Co., 4.180%, Ser B (Z)		4,805	364,940
Xcel Energy, Inc., 7.600% (Z)		320,000	8,416,000
		Shares	Value
Short-Term Investments 0.78%			\$3,381,997
(Cost \$3,381,997)			
Repurchase Agreement 0.32%			1,382,000
Repurchase Agreement with State Street Corp. dated 10-30-09 at			
0.01% to be repurchased at \$1,382,001 on 11-2-09, collateralized			
by \$1,365,000 Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., 7.00% due 3-			
15-10 (valued at \$1,411,069, including interest)		\$1,382,000	1,382,000
	Maturity		
Yield *	date	Par value	Value
U.S. Government Agency 0.46%			1,999,997

Federal Home Loan Bank,

Discount Note 0.05% 11/02/09 2,000,000 1,999,997

Total investments (Cost \$762,990,660) ☐ 152.91%

\$664,433,729

Other assets and liabilities, net (52.91%)

(\$229,900,232)

Total net assets 100.00%

\$434,533,497

The percentage shown for each investment category is the total value of the category as a percentage of the net assets of the Fund.

- (I) Non-income producing security.
- (S) This security is exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933. Such securities may be resold, normally to qualified institutional buyers, in transactions exempt from registration.
- (Z) All or a portion of this security is segregated as collateral for the Committed Facility Agreement. Total collateral value at October 31, 2009 was \$516,426,925.
- ☐ At October 31, 2009, the aggregate cost of investment securities for federal income tax purposes was \$763,071,565. Net unrealized depreciation aggregated \$98,637,836, of which \$13,526,343 related to appreciated investment securities and \$112,164,179 related to depreciated investment securities.
- \* Yield represents either the annualized yield at the date of purchase, the stated coupon rate or, for floating securities, the rate at period end.

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#### Notes to the Schedule of Investments (Unaudited)

#### **Security valuation**

Investments are stated at value as of the close of regular trading on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), normally at 4:00 P.M., Eastern Time. Equity securities held by the Fund are valued at the last sale price or official closing price (closing bid price or last evaluated price if no sale has occurred) as of the close of business on the principal securities exchange (domestic or foreign) on which they trade. Debt obligations are valued based on the evaluated prices provided by independent pricing services, which utilizes both dealer-supplied quotes and electronic data processing techniques, which take into account factors such as institutional-size trading in similar groups of securities, yield, quality, coupon rate, maturity, type of issue, trading characteristics and other market data. Foreign securities and currencies are valued in U.S. dollars, based on foreign currency exchange rates supplied by an independent pricing service. Securities traded only in the over-the-counter market are valued at the last bid price quoted by brokers making markets in the securities at the close of trading. Equity and debt obligations, for which there are no prices available from an independent pricing service, are valued based on bid quotations, or evaluated prices, as applicable, obtained from broker-dealers or fair valued as described below. Certain short-term debt instruments are valued at amortized cost.

Other assets and securities for which no such quotations are readily available are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by the Fund\[ \]s Pricing Committee in accordance with procedures adopted by the Board of Trustees. Generally, trading in non-U.S. securities is substantially completed each day at various times prior to the close of trading on the NYSE. The values of such securities used in computing the net asset value of the Fund\[ \]s shares are generally determined as of such times. Occasionally, significant events that affect the values of such securities may occur between the times at which such values are generally determined and the close of the NYSE. Upon such an occurrence, these securities will be valued at fair value as determined in good faith under consistently applied procedures established by and under the general supervision of the Board of Trustees.

#### Fair value measurements

The Fund uses a three-tier hierarchy to prioritize the assumptions, referred to as inputs, used in valuation techniques to measure fair value. The three-tier hierarchy of inputs and the valuation techniques used are summarized below:

Level  $1 \ \Box$  Exchange traded prices in active markets for identical securities. This technique is used for exchange-traded domestic common and preferred equities, certain foreign equities, warrants, rights, options and futures.

Level 2  $\square$  Prices determined using significant observable inputs. Observable inputs may include quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds and credit risk. Prices for securities valued using these techniques are received from independent pricing vendors and are based on an evaluation of the inputs described. These techniques are used for certain domestic preferred equities, certain foreign equities, unlisted rights and warrants, and fixed income securities. Also, over-the-counter derivative contracts, including swaps use these techniques.

Level 3  $\square$  Prices determined using significant unobservable inputs. In situations where quoted prices or observable inputs are unavailable, such as when there is little or no market activity for an investment, unobservable inputs may be used. Unobservable inputs reflect the Fund $\square$ s Pricing Committee $\square$ s own assumptions about the factors that market participants would use in pricing an investment and would be based on the best information available. Securities using this technique are generally thinly traded or privately placed, and may be valued using broker quotes, which may not only use observable or unobservable inputs but may also include the use of the brokers $\square$  own judgments about the assumptions that market participants would use.

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The following is a summary of the inputs used to value the Fund\(\sigma\) investments as of October 31, 2009, by major security category or security type. Other financial instruments are derivative instruments not reflected in the Portfolio of Investments, such as interest rate swap contracts, which are stated at market value.

Investments in Securities	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Consumer Discretionary	\$50,195,231	-	-	\$50,195,231
Consumer Staples	-	\$9,080,500	-	9,080,500
Energy	33,929,080	7,216,000	-	41,145,080
Financials	309,798,663	5,700,000	\$19,490,523	334,989,186
Materials	1,177,000	-	-	1,177,000
Telecommunication Services	43,950,683	-	-	43,950,683
Utilities	127,719,672	52,794,380	-	180,514,052
Short Term Investments	-	3,381,997	-	3,381,997
Total Investments in				
Securities	\$566,770,329	\$78,172,877	\$19,490,523	\$664,433,729

#### **Other Financial**

Instruments - (7,449,946) - (7,449,946)
Totals \$566,770,329 \$70,722,931 \$19,490,523 \$656,983,783

The following is a reconciliation of Level 3 assets for which significant unobservable inputs were used to determine fair value:

	Financials
Balance as of July 31, 2009	\$18,396,050
Accrued discounts/premiums	-
Realized gain (loss)	-
Change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	1,094,473
Net purchases (sales)	-
Transfers in and/or out of Level 3	-
Balance as of October 31, 2009	\$19,490,523

#### **Repurchase agreements**

The Fund may enter into repurchase agreements. When the Fund enters into a repurchase agreement through its custodian, it receives delivery of securities, the amount of which, at the time of purchase and each subsequent business day, is required to be maintained at such a level that the market value is generally at least 102% of the repurchase amount. The Fund will take receipt of all securities underlying the repurchase agreements it has entered into, until such agreements expire. If the seller defaults, the Fund would suffer a loss to the extent that proceeds from the sale of underlying securities were less than the repurchase amount. The Fund may enter into repurchase agreements maturing within seven days with domestic dealers, banks or other financial institutions deemed to be creditworthy by the Adviser.

#### Interest rate swap agreements

Interest rate swaps represent an agreement between two counterparties to exchange cash flows based on the difference in the two interest rates, applied to the notional principal amount for a specified period. The payment flows are usually netted against each other, with the difference being paid by one party to the other. The Fund settles accrued net receivable or payable under the swap contracts on a periodic basis. For more information on interest rate swap contracts, please refer to the Fund\(\partial\)s Prospectus, semi-annual and annual reports.

The Fund entered into interest rate swaps in anticipation of rising interest rates. The following summarizes the contracts held at October 31, 2009:

		<b>PAYMENTS</b>	<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
	NOTIONAL	MADE BY	RECEIVED	<b>EFFECTIVE</b>	TERMINATION	UNREALIZED	MARKET
COUNTERPARTY	<b>AMOUNT</b>	FUND	BY FUND	DATE	DATE	DEPRECIATION	VALUE
			3-Month				
Bank of America	\$70,000,000	4.37%	LIBOR (a)	11/15/2007	11/15/2010	(\$4,079,919)	(\$4,079,919)

3-Month

Morgan Stanley 70,000,000 4.65% LIBOR (a) 1/7/2008 1/7/2011 (3,370,027) (3,370,027) \$140,000,000 (\$7,449,946) (\$7,449,946)

(a) At October 31, 2009, the 3-month LIBOR rate was 0.28063%.

Interest rate swap notional amounts at October 31, 2009 are generally representative of the interest rate swap activity during the period ended October 31, 2009.

#### Fair value of derivative instruments by risk category

The table below summarizes the fair values of derivatives held by the Fund at October 31, 2009 by risk category:

	Financial		Liability	
	instruments	<b>Asset Derivatives</b>	Derivatives	
	location	Fair Value	Fair Value	
	Interest rate swap			
Interest rate contracts	contracts	-	(\$7,449,946)	

#### ITEM 2. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES.

- (a) Based upon their evaluation of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as conducted within 90 days of the filing date of this Form N-Q, the registrant's principal executive officer and principal accounting officer have concluded that those disclosure controls and procedures provide reasonable assurance that the material information required to be disclosed by the registrant on this report is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms.
- (b) There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

#### ITEM 3. EXHIBITS.

Separate certifications for the registrant's principal executive officer and principal accounting officer, as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, are attached.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

John Hancock Preferred Income Fund

By: /s/ Keith F. Hartstein

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Keith F. Hartstein

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: December 18, 2009

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By: /s/ Keith F. Hartstein

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Keith F. Hartstein

President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: December 18, 2009

By: /s/ Charles A. Rizzo

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Charles A. Rizzo Chief Financial Officer

Date: December 18, 2009