

NUVEEN MASSACHUSETTS PREMIUM INCOME MUNICIPAL FUND
Form N-Q
October 29, 2004

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549**

FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-7484

Nuveen Massachusetts Premium Income Municipal Fund

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois, 60606

Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Jessica R. Droeger Vice President and Secretary

333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois, 60606

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 312-917-7700

Date of fiscal year end: 05/31

Date of reporting period: 08/31/04

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Item 1. Schedule of Investments

Portfolio of Investments (Unaudited)

Nuveen Massachusetts Premium Income Municipal Fund (NMT)

August 31, 2004

Principal Description ⁽¹⁾	Optional Call Provisions*	Ratings**	Market Value
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Principal Amount (000)		Optional Call		Market
Consumer Discretionary - 2.1%				
\$ 1,500	Boston Industrial Development Financing Authority, Massachusetts, Senior Revenue Bonds, Crosstown Center Project, Series 2002, 6.500%, 9/01/35 (Alternative Minimum Tax)	9/12 at 102.00	Baa3	\$ 1,485,195
Education and Civic Organizations - 34.5%				
280	Massachusetts Education Loan Authority, Student Loan Revenue Bonds, Series 1995, Issue E, 6.150%, 7/01/10 (Alternative Minimum Tax) - AMBAC Insured	1/05 at 101.50	AAA	285,964
1,680	Massachusetts Educational Finance Authority, Educational Loan Revenue Bonds, Series 2002E, 5.000%, 1/01/13 (Alternative Minimum Tax) - AMBAC Insured	1/12 at 100.00	AAA	1,756,961
1,090	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Refunding Bonds, Boston University, Series 1999P, 6.000%, 5/15/29	No Opt. Call	A3	1,188,765
1,000	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences, Series 2003C, 5.750%, 7/01/33	7/13 at 101.00	BBB	1,031,970
890	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Curry College, Series 2000A, 6.000%, 3/01/20 - ACA Insured	3/09 at 101.00	A	937,001
750	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Milton Academy, Series 2003A, 5.000%, 9/01/19	9/13 at 100.00	AA-	813,652
500	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Belmont Hills School, Series 2001, 5.375%, 9/01/23	9/11 at 101.00	A	530,920
2,000	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Boston College, Series 2003N, 5.250%, 6/01/18	6/13 at 100.00	AA-	2,180,600
1,500	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, University of Massachusetts - Worcester Campus, Series 2001B, 5.250%, 10/01/31 - FGIC Insured	10/11 at 100.00	AAA	1,558,770
555	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Williams College, Series 2003H, 5.000%, 7/01/21	7/13 at 100.00	AA+	586,407
500	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Wellesley College, Series 2003H, 5.000%, 7/01/26	7/13 at 100.00	AA+	513,075
1,000	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Series 2004M, 5.250%, 7/01/15	No Opt. Call	AAA	1,145,440
2,645	Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research, Series 1993, 5.125%, 7/01/26	1/05 at 101.00	Aa1	2,676,132
2,300	Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Belmont Hill School, Series 1998, 5.250%, 9/01/28	9/08 at 101.00	A	2,337,237

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Principal		Optional Call		Market
4,000	New England Education Loan Marketing Corporation, Massachusetts Student Loan Revenue Bonds, Subordinate Series 1992H, 6.900%, 11/01/09 (Alternative Minimum Tax)	No Opt. Call	A3	4,349,520
1,200	University of Massachusetts Building Authority, Senior Lien Project Revenue Bonds, Series 2003-1, 5.250%, 11/01/18 - AMBAC Insured	11/13 at 100.00	AAA	1,322,328
1,000	University of Massachusetts Building Authority, Senior Lien Project Revenue Bonds, Series 2004-1, 5.250%, 11/01/24 - AMBAC Insured	11/14 at 100.00	AAA	1,067,740
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Healthcare - 18.9%				
3,000	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, New England Medical Center Hospitals, Series 1993G-1, 5.375%, 7/01/24 - MBIA Insured	1/05 at 102.00	AAA	3,066,330
1,000	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Lahey Clinic Medical Center, Series 1993B, 5.625%, 7/01/15 - MBIA Insured	1/05 at 101.00	AAA	1,012,590
600	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, New England Medical Center Hospitals, Series 2002H, 5.375%, 5/15/19 - FGIC Insured	5/12 at 100.00	AAA	652,758
2,500	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Partners HealthCare System Inc., Series 2001C, 5.750%, 7/01/32	7/11 at 101.00	AA-	2,654,200
375	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, UMass Memorial Health Care, Series 2001C, 6.625%, 7/01/32	7/11 at 100.00	BBB	390,176
1,395	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, CareGroup Inc., Series 1998A, 5.000%, 7/01/25 - MBIA Insured	7/08 at 102.00	AAA	1,417,822
1,000	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Cape Cod Health Care Inc., Series 2001C, 5.250%, 11/15/31 - RAAI Insured	11/11 at 101.00	AA	1,022,630
2,000	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Berkshire Health System, Series 2001E, 6.250%, 10/01/31	10/11 at 101.00	BBB+	2,070,580
1,000	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Caritas Christi Obligated Group, Series 2002B, 6.250%, 7/01/22	7/12 at 101.00	BBB	1,048,260
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Housing/Multifamily - 16.1%				
2,500	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, GNMA Collateralized Revenue Bonds, VOA Concord Assisted Living Inc., Series 2000A, 6.900%, 10/20/41	10/11 at 105.00	AAA	2,807,775
1,950	Massachusetts Development Financing Authority, Assisted Living Revenue Bonds, Prospect House Apartments, Series 1999, 7.000%, 12/01/31	12/09 at 102.00	N/R	1,884,266
1,500	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, GNMA Collateralized Assisted Living Facility Revenue Bonds, Arbors at Chicopee, Series 2001A, 6.250%, 9/20/42 (Alternative Minimum Tax)	3/12 at 105.00	AAA	1,634,550
65	Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency, Housing Project Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 1993A, 6.300%, 10/01/13	10/04 at 101.00	A+	65,660

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1,425	Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency, Rental Housing Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Series 1999D, 5.500%, 7/01/13 (Alternative Minimum Tax) - AMBAC Insured	7/10 at 101.00	AAA	1,526,089
1,835	Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency, FHA-Insured Rental Housing Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Series 1995A, 7.350%, 1/01/35 (Alternative Minimum Tax) - AMBAC Insured	1/05 at 102.00	AAA	1,881,462
500	Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency, Housing Revenue Bonds, Series 2003S, 5.050%, 12/01/23 (Alternative Minimum Tax)	6/13 at 100.00	AA-	507,130
1,000	Somerville Housing Authority, Massachusetts, GNMA Collateralized Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Clarendon Hill Towers, Series 2002, 5.200%, 11/20/22	5/12 at 103.00	AAA	1,064,900
Industrials - 0.6%				
400	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Solid Waste Disposal Revenue Bonds, Waste Management Inc., Series 2003, 5.450%, 6/01/14	No Opt. Call	BBB	416,860
Long-Term Care - 5.8%				
1,270	Boston, Massachusetts, FHA-Insured Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Deutsches Altenheim Inc., Series 1998A, 6.125%, 10/01/31	10/08 at 105.00	AAA	1,382,738
2,000	Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency, Healthcare Facilities Revenue Bonds, Jewish Geriatric Services Inc. Obligated Group, Series 1997B, 5.500%, 5/15/27	5/07 at 102.00	A-1+	2,030,000
645	Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency, FHA-Insured Project Revenue Bonds, Heights Crossing LP, Series 1995, 6.000%, 2/01/15 (Alternative Minimum Tax)	2/06 at 102.00	AAA	683,016
Tax Obligation/General - 27.7%				
1,180	Boston, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2001B, 5.000%, 8/01/15	8/11 at 100.00	AA	1,276,559
645	East Longmeadow, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2001, 5.000%, 8/01/14 - AMBAC Insured	8/11 at 101.00	Aaa	711,712
1,000	Fall River, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2003, 5.000%, 2/01/21 - FSA Insured	2/13 at 101.00	AAA	1,066,870
2,500	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, General Obligation Transportation System Bonds, Series 1991A, 7.000%, 3/01/21	No Opt. Call	AAA	3,215,600
3,275	Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Consolidated Loan, Series 2001D, 6.000%, 11/01/13 - MBIA Insured	No Opt. Call	AAA	3,888,932
1,865	Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Consolidated Loan, Series 2003A, 5.000%, 1/01/22 (Pre-refunded to 1/01/13)	1/13 at 100.00	Aa2	2,060,638
1,250	Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Consolidated Loan, Series 2004B, 5.000%, 8/01/24	8/14 at 100.00	Aa2	1,297,988
980	Monson, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2002, 5.250%, 5/15/22 - AMBAC Insured	5/12 at 101.00	Aaa	1,052,471
1,000		6/10 at 101.00	Aaa	1,184,680

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	Narragansett Regional School District, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2000, 6.500%, 6/01/16 - AMBAC Insured			
1,260	Norwell, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2003, 5.000%, 11/15/20 - FGIC Insured	No Opt. Call	AAA	1,398,764
530	Springfield, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2003: 5.250%, 1/15/15 - MBIA Insured	1/13 at 100.00	AAA	591,692
1,615	5.250%, 1/15/23 - MBIA Insured	1/13 at 100.00	AAA	1,735,350
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Tax Obligation/Limited - 12.5%				
385	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2004C, 5.250%, 7/01/21	No Opt. Call	AAA	434,661
1,000	Massachusetts College Building Authority, Project Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2003B, 5.375%, 5/01/23 - XLCA Insured	No Opt. Call	AAA	1,122,510
550	Massachusetts College Building Authority, Project Revenue Bonds, Series 2004A, 5.000%, 5/01/19 - MBIA Insured	5/14 at 100.00	AAA	590,739
1,500	Massachusetts, Special Obligation Dedicated Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2004, 5.250%, 1/01/25 - FGIC Insured	1/14 at 100.00	AAA	1,593,690
3,000	Massachusetts, Special Obligation Refunding Notes, Federal Highway Grant Anticipation Note Program, Series 2003A, 5.000%, 12/15/13 - FSA Insured	No Opt. Call	Aaa	3,308,520
1,500	Puerto Rico Highway and Transportation Authority, Highway Revenue Bonds, Series 2003AA, 5.500%, 7/01/19 - MBIA Insured	No Opt. Call	AAA	1,758,105
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Transportation - 8.8%				
2,000	Massachusetts Port Authority, Revenue Bonds, Series 2003A, 5.000%, 7/01/33 - MBIA Insured	7/13 at 100.00	AAA	2,034,880
4,000	Massachusetts Port Authority, Special Facilities Revenue Bonds, US Airways Group Inc., Series 1996A, 5.750%, 9/01/16 (Alternative Minimum Tax) - MBIA Insured	9/06 at 102.00	AAA	4,143,120
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U.S. Guaranteed*** - 11.4%				
1,250	Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Consolidated Loan, Series 2000A, 6.000%, 2/01/14 (Pre-refunded to 2/01/10)	2/10 at 101.00	AAA	1,444,425
2,500	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, FHA-Insured Revenue Bonds, Malden Hospital, Series 1982A, 5.000%, 8/01/16 (Pre-refunded to 8/01/10)	8/10 at 100.00	AAA	2,701,975
2,000	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Daughters of Charity National Health System - Carney Hospital, Series 1994D, 6.100%, 7/01/14 (Pre-refunded to 7/01/06)	7/06 at 100.00	Aaa	2,085,500
410	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, CareGroup Inc., Series 1998A, 5.000%, 7/01/25 - MBIA Insured	7/08 at 102.00	AAA	445,908
905	Massachusetts Port Authority, Revenue Bonds, Series 1982, 13.000%, 7/01/13	1/05 at 100.00	AAA	1,336,369

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Principal		Optional Call		Market
Utilities - 3.0%				
1,000	Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Resource Recovery Revenue Bonds, SEMass System, Series 2001A, 5.625%, 1/01/16 - MBIA Insured	1/12 at 101.00	AAA	1,117,590
1,000	Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency, Resource Recovery Revenue Refunding Bonds, Ogden Haverhill Project, Series 1998A, 5.600%, 12/01/19 (Alternative Minimum Tax)	12/08 at 102.00	BBB	995,540
Water and Sewer - 5.2%				
2,000	Boston Water and Sewer Commission, Massachusetts, General Revenue Bonds, Senior Series 2004A, 5.000%, 11/01/25	11/14 at 100.00	AA	2,073,300
1,500	Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust, Pooled Loan Program Bonds, Series 9, 5.000%, 8/01/22	8/13 at 100.00	AAA	1,571,940
\$ 95,950	Total Long-Term Investments (cost \$98,109,211) - 146.6%			103,227,497
	Other Assets Less Liabilities - 1.7%			1,202,702
	Preferred Shares, at Liquidation Value - (48.3)%			(34,000,000)
	Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares - 100%			\$70,430,199
(1)	All percentages shown in the Portfolio of Investments are based on net assets applicable to Common shares.			
*	Optional Call Provisions: Dates (month and year) and prices of the earliest optional call or redemption. There may be other call provisions at varying prices at later dates.			
**	Ratings: Using the higher of Standard & Poor's or Moody's rating.			
***	Securities are backed by an escrow or trust containing sufficient U.S. Government or U.S. Government agency securities which ensures the timely payment of principal and interest. Such securities are normally considered to be equivalent to AAA rated securities.			
N/R	Investment is not rated.			
	Income Tax Information			
	The following information is presented on an income tax basis. Differences between amounts for financial statement and federal income tax purposes are primarily due to timing differences in recognizing income on taxable market discount securities and timing differences in recognizing certain gains and losses on security transactions.			
	At August 31, 2004, the cost of investments was \$97,972,167.			
	Gross unrealized appreciation and gross unrealized depreciation of investments at August 31, 2004, were as follows:			
	Gross unrealized:			
	Appreciation		\$5,401,007	
	Depreciation		(145,677)	
	Net unrealized appreciation of investments			\$5,255,330

Item 2. Controls and Procedures.

- a. The registrant's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act") (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))) are effective, as of a

date within 90 days of the filing date of this report that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph, based on their evaluation of the controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(b)) and Rule 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, (17 CFR 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15(b)).

- b. There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d))) 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.

File as exhibits as part of this Form a separate certification for each principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the registrant as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the Act (17 CFR 270.30a-2(a)), exactly as set forth below: EX-99 CERT Attached hereto.

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.

(Registrant) Nuveen Massachusetts Premium Income Municipal Fund

By (Signature and Title)* /s/ Jessica R. Droeger--Vice President and Secretary

Date 10/29/04

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 (Signature and Title)* /s/ Gifford R. Zimmerman--Chief Administrative Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

Date 10/29/04

By (Signature and Title)* /s/ Stephen D. Foy--Vice President and Controller (Principal Financial Officer)

Date 10/29/04

* Print the name and title of each signing officer under his or her signature.