

NUVEEN MASSACHUSETTS PREMIUM INCOME MUNICIPAL FUND  
Form N-Q  
October 28, 2005

**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: 08/31/05

Form N-Q is to be used by management investment companies, other than small business investment companies registered on Form N-5 (§§ 239.24 and 274.5 of this chapter), to file reports with the Commission, not later than 60 days after the close of the first and third fiscal quarters, pursuant to rule 30b1-5 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30b1-5). The Commission may use the information provided on Form N-Q in its regulatory, disclosure review, inspection, and policymaking roles.

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**Item 1. Schedule of Investments**

**Portfolio of Investments (Unaudited)**

**Nuveen Massachusetts Premium Income Municipal Fund (NMT)**

*August 31, 2005*

**Principal  
Amount (000) Description(1)**

**Option  
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**Consumer Discretionary - 2.1% (1.4% of Total Investments)**

\$	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
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**Consumer Staples - 0.8% (0.5% of Total Investments)**

550	Guam Economic Development Authority, Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Bonds, Series 2001B, 5.500%, 5/15/41	5/11 at
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**Education and Civic Organizations - 35.4% (24.3% of Total Investments)**

200	Massachusetts Education Loan Authority, Student Loan Revenue Bonds, Issue E, Series 1995, 6.150%, 7/01/10 (Alternative Minimum Tax)- AMBAC Insured	1/06 at
1,550	Massachusetts Educational Finance Authority, Educational Loan Revenue Bonds, Series 2002E, 5.000%, 1/01/13 (Alternative Minimum Tax)- AMBAC Insured	1/12 at
1,745	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences, Series 2005D, 5.000%, 7/01/27 - AGC Insured	7/15 at
1,090	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Refunding Bonds, Boston University, Series 1999P, 6.000%, 5/15/29	No C
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
890	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Curry College, Series 2000A, 6.000%, 3/01/20 - ACA Insured	3/09 at
750	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Milton Academy, Series 2003A, 5.000%, 9/01/19	9/13 at
500	Massachusetts Development Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Belmont Hills School, Series 2001, 5.375%, 9/01/23	9/11 at
2,000	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Boston College, Series 2003N, 5.250%, 6/01/18	6/13 at
500	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Worcester State College, Series 2002, 5.000%, 11/01/32 - AMBAC Insured	11/12 at
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
555	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Williams College, Series 2003H, 5.000%, 7/01/21	7/13 at
500	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Wellesley College, Series 2003H, 5.000%, 7/01/26	7/13 at
1,000	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Series 2004M, 5.250%, 7/01/15	No C
1,645	Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Whitehead Institute for Biomedical Research, Series 1993, 5.125%, 7/01/26	1/06 at
2,300	Massachusetts Industrial Finance Agency, Revenue Bonds, Belmont Hill School, Series 1998, 5.250%, 9/01/28	9/08 at

4,000	New England Education Loan Marketing Corporation, Student Loan Revenue Bonds, Subordinate Series 1992H, 6.900%, 11/01/09 (Alternative Minimum Tax)	No Opt. Call
375	Puerto Rico Industrial, Tourist, Educational, Medical and Environmental Control Facilities Financing Authority, Higher Education Revenue Bonds, Ana G. Mendez University System, Series 1999, 5.375%, 2/01/19	2/09 at 101.00
725	University of Massachusetts Building Authority, Senior Lien Project Revenue Bonds, Series 2005-1, 5.000%, 5/01/15 - AMBAC Insured	No Opt. Call

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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

**Healthcare - 16.8% (11.5% of Total Investments)**

1,500 Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, New England Medical Center Hospitals, Series 1993G-1, 5.375%, 7/01/24 - MBIA Insured 1/06 at 101.00

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

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

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

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

1,250 Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Berkshire Health System, Series 2001E, 6.250%, 10/01/31 10/11 at 101.00

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

1,400 Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Lahey Clinic Medical Center, Series 2005C, 5.000%, 8/15/21 - FGIC Insured 8/15 at 100.00

715 Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, UMass Memorial Health Care, Series 2005D, 5.000%, 7/01/33 7/15 at 100.00

935 Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Emerson Hospital, Series 2005E, 5.000%, 8/15/35 - RAAI Insured 8/15 at 100.00

**Housing/Multifamily - 11.7% (8.0% of Total Investments)**

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

1,930 Massachusetts Development Financing Authority, Assisted Living Revenue Bonds, Prospect House Apartments, Series 1999, 7.000%, 12/01/31 12/09 at 102.00

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

400 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

500 Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency, Housing Revenue Bonds, Series 2003S, 5.050%, 12/01/23 (Alternative Minimum Tax) 6/13 at 100.00

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

**Industrials - 0.6% (0.4% of Total Investments)**

400 Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, Solid Waste Disposal Revenue Bonds, Waste Management Inc., Series 2003, 5.450%, 6/01/14 No Opt. Call

**Long-Term Care - 2.7% (1.9% of Total Investments)**

1,270 Boston, Massachusetts, FHA-Insured Mortgage Revenue Bonds, Deutsches Altenheim Inc., Series 1998A, 10/08 at 105.00

6.125%, 10/01/31

540 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 AA

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**Tax Obligation/General - 23.8% (16.3% of Total Investments)**

500	Ashland, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2004, 5.250%, 5/15/23 - AMBAC Insured	5/15 at 100.00	AA
1,250	Boston, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2005A, 5.000%, 1/01/17	1/15 at 100.00	AA
1,000	Fall River, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2003, 5.000%, 2/01/21 - FSA Insured	2/13 at 101.00	AA
750	Lowell, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2005, 5.000%, 12/15/18 - MBIA Insured	12/15 at 100.00	AA
2,500	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, General Obligation Transportation System Bonds, Series 1991A, 7.000%, 3/01/21	No Opt. Call	AA
3,275	Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Consolidated Loan, Series 2001D, 6.000%, 11/01/13 - MBIA Insured	No Opt. Call	AA
980	Monson, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2002, 5.250%, 5/15/22 - AMBAC Insured	5/12 at 101.00	AA
1,260	Norwell, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2003, 5.000%, 11/15/20 - FGIC Insured	No Opt. Call	AA
	Springfield, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2003:		
530	5.250%, 1/15/15 - MBIA Insured	1/13 at 100.00	AA
1,615	5.250%, 1/15/23 - MBIA Insured	1/13 at 100.00	AA
1,220	Worcester, Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2005A, 5.000%, 7/01/19 - FGIC Insured	7/15 at 100.00	AA

**Tax Obligation/Limited - 14.7% (10.1% of Total Investments)**

210	Martha's Vineyard Land Bank, Massachusetts, Revenue Bonds, Series 2004, 5.000%, 5/01/26 - AMBAC Insured	5/14 at 100.00	AA
940	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, Assessment Bonds, Series 2005A, 5.000%, 7/01/18 (WI, settling 9/08/05)	7/15 at 100.00	AA
385	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, Senior Lien Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2004C, 5.250%, 7/01/21	No Opt. Call	AA
1,000	Massachusetts College Building Authority, Project Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2003B, 5.375%, 5/01/23 - XLCA Insured	No Opt. Call	AA
550	Massachusetts College Building Authority, Project Revenue Bonds, Series 2004A, 5.000%, 5/01/19 - MBIA Insured	5/14 at 100.00	AA
1,300	Massachusetts School Building Authority, Dedicated Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2005A, 5.000%, 8/15/20 - FSA Insured	8/15 at 100.00	AA
540	Massachusetts, Special Obligation Dedicated Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2005, 5.000%, 1/01/20 - FGIC Insured	No Opt. Call	AA
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	AA
1,500	Puerto Rico, Highway Revenue Bonds, Highway and Transportation Authority, Series 2003AA, 5.500%, 7/01/19 - MBIA Insured	No Opt. Call	AA

**Transportation - 11.6% (7.9% of Total Investments)**

2,000	Massachusetts Port Authority, Revenue Bonds, Series 2003A, 5.000%, 7/01/33 - MBIA Insured	7/13 at 100.00	AA
1,900	Massachusetts Port Authority, Revenue Bonds, Series 2005A, 5.000%, 7/01/23 - AMBAC Insured	7/15 at 100.00	AA
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	AA

**U.S. Guaranteed \*\*\* - 11.3% (7.7% of Total Investments)**

1,250	Massachusetts, General Obligation Bonds, Consolidated Loan, Series 2004B, 5.000%, 8/01/24 (Pre-refunded to 8/01/14)	8/14 at 100.00	AA**
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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	
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410	Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, CareGroup Inc., Series 1998A, 5.000%, 7/01/25 (Pre-refunded to 7/01/21) - MBIA Insured	7/21 at 100.00
845	Massachusetts Port Authority, Revenue Bonds, Series 1982, 13.000%, 7/01/13	1/06 at 100.00
1,500	Massachusetts, Special Obligation Dedicated Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2004, 5.250%, 1/01/25 (Pre-refunded to 1/01/14) - FGIC Insured	1/14 at 100.00
1,200	University of Massachusetts Building Authority, Senior Lien Project Revenue Bonds, Series 2003-1, 5.250%, 11/01/18 (Pre-refunded to 11/01/13) - AMBAC Insured	11/13 at 100.00

**Utilities - 3.0% (2.0% of Total Investments)**

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
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

**Water and Sewer - 11.7% (8.0% of Total Investments)**

2,000	Boston Water and Sewerage Commission, Massachusetts, General Revenue Bonds, Senior Series 2004A, 5.000%, 11/01/25	11/14 at 100.00
1,500	Massachusetts Water Resources Authority, General Revenue Bonds, Series 2005A, 5.000%, 8/01/28 - MBIA Insured	8/17 at 100.00
1,250	Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust, Revenue Bonds, MWRA Loan Program, Series 2002A, 5.250%, 8/01/20	8/12 at 100.00
1,500	Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust, Pooled Loan Program Bonds, Series 9, 5.000%, 8/01/22	8/13 at 100.00
1,500	Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust, Pooled Loan Program Bonds, Series 10, 5.000%, 8/01/26	8/14 at 100.00

\$ 96,350 Total Long-Term Investments (cost \$99,794,090) - 146.2%

Other Assets Less Liabilities - 1.1%

Preferred Shares, at Liquidation Value - (47.3)%

Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares - 100%

(1) All percentages shown in the Portfolio of Investments are based on net assets applicable to Common shares unless otherwise noted.

\* 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.

(WI) Security purchased on a when-issued basis.

**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

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discount securities and timing differences in recognizing certain gains and losses on investment transactions.

At August 31, 2005, the cost of investments was \$99,721,442.

Gross unrealized appreciation and gross unrealized depreciation of investments at August 31, 2005, were as follows:

Gross unrealized:		
Appreciation	\$	5,414,986
Depreciation		(54,373)
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Net unrealized appreciation of investments	\$	5,360,613

**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 have materially affected, or are 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 1940 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 10/28/05

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 10/28/05

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By (Signature and Title)\* /s/ Stephen D. Foy--Vice President and Controller (principal financial officer)

Date 10/28/05

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