

NUVEEN CALIFORNIA DIVIDEND ADVANTAGE MUNICIPAL FUND

Form N-Q

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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT
COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-09161

Nuveen California Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Nuveen Investments
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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

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

Date of fiscal year end: 2/28

Date of reporting period: 11/30/10

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Item 1. Schedule of Investments

Portfolio of Investments (Unaudited)

Nuveen California Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund (NAC)

November 30, 2010

Principal Amount (000)	Description (1)	Optional Call Provisions (2)	Ratings (3)	Value
	Consumer Staples – 6.5% (4.3% of Total Investments)			
\$ 905	California County Tobacco Securitization Agency, Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Bonds, Sonoma County Tobacco Securitization Corporation, Series 2005, 4.250%, 6/01/21	6/15 at 100.00	BBB	\$ 840,673
7,500	Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corporation, California, Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Bonds, Series 2007A-1, 5.750%, 6/01/47	6/17 at 100.00	Baa3	5,384,850
24,265	Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corporation, California, Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Bonds, Series 2007A-2, 0.000%, 6/01/37	6/22 at 100.00	Baa3	14,668,193
32,670	Total Consumer Staples			20,893,716
	Education and Civic Organizations – 6.9% (4.6% of Total Investments)			
290	California Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, University of Redlands, Series 2005A, 5.000%, 10/01/35	10/15 at 100.00	A3	266,606
10,000	California Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, University of Southern California, Series 2007A, 4.500%, 10/01/33 (UB)	10/17 at 100.00	AA+	9,526,000
	California Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, University of the Pacific, Series 2006:			
200	5.000%, 11/01/21	11/15 at 100.00	A2	209,966
265	5.000%, 11/01/25	11/15 at 100.00	A2	272,545
4,685	California State Public Works Board, Lease Revenue Bonds, University of California Regents, Tender Option Bond Trust 1065, 9.176%, 3/01/33 (IF)	3/18 at 100.00	Aa2	4,511,561
610	California Statewide Community Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Notre Dame de Namur University, Series 2003, 6.500%, 10/01/23	10/13 at 100.00	N/R	579,921
3,000	Long Beach Bond Financing Authority, California, Lease Revenue Refunding Bonds, Long Beach Aquarium of the South Pacific, Series 2001, 5.500%, 11/01/17 – AMBAC Insured	11/11 at 100.00	BBB	3,041,010
600	University of California, General Revenue Bonds, Series 2003A: 5.125%, 5/15/17 – AMBAC Insured (UB)	5/13 at 100.00	Aa1	660,396

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		5/13 at		
2,900	5.125%, 5/15/17 – AMBAC Insured (UB)	100.00	Aa1	3,152,764
22,550	Total Education and Civic Organizations			22,220,769
	Health Care – 29.7% (19.8% of Total Investments)			
	California Health Facilities Financing Authority, Health Facility	3/13 at		
2,160	Revenue Bonds, Adventist	100.00	A	2,258,798
	Health System/West, Series 2003A, 5.000%, 3/01/15			
	California Health Facilities Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds,	4/16 at		
660	Kaiser Permanente System,	100.00	A+	626,630
	Series 2006, 5.000%, 4/01/37			
	California Health Facilities Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds,	11/16 at		
10,000	Sutter Health, Series 2007A,	100.00	Aa3	9,322,100
	5.000%, 11/15/42 – NPFQ Insured			
	California Health Facilities Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds,	11/16 at		
14,895	Sutter Health, Series 2007A,	100.00	AA-	14,377,101
	Trust 3146, 5.250%, 11/15/46 (UB)			
	California Statewide Communities Development Authority, Revenue	3/15 at		
1,120	Bonds, Adventist Health System	100.00	A	1,027,174
	West, Series 2005A, 5.000%, 3/01/35			
	California Statewide Communities Development Authority, Revenue			
	Bonds, ValleyCare Health			
	System, Series 2007A:			
		No Opt.		
810	4.800%, 7/15/17	Call	N/R	807,230
		7/17 at		
3,325	5.125%, 7/15/31	100.00	N/R	2,802,742
	California Statewide Community Development Authority, Revenue	7/15 at		
1,760	Bonds, Daughters of Charity	100.00	BBB	1,660,278
	Health System, Series 2005A, 5.250%, 7/01/24			
	California Statewide Community Development Authority, Revenue	3/16 at		
19,420	Bonds, Kaiser Permanente System,	100.00	A+	18,239,458
	Series 2006, 5.000%, 3/01/41			
	California Statewide Community Development Authority, Revenue	8/16 at		
3,095	Bonds, Kaiser Permanente System,	100.00	A+	3,106,792
	Series 2001C, 5.250%, 8/01/31			
	California Statewide Community Development Authority, Revenue	3/16 at		
9,980	Bonds, Kaiser Permanente System,	100.00	AA+	9,894,571
	Series 2006, 5.000%, 3/01/41 – BHAC Insured (UB)			
	California Statewide Community Development Authority, Revenue	8/19 at		
2,250	Bonds, Methodist Hospital	100.00	Aa2	2,515,658
	Project, Series 2009, 6.750%, 2/01/38			
	California Statewide Communities Development Authority, Revenue	7/18 at		
1,586	Bonds, Saint Joseph Health	100.00	AA+	1,596,721
	System, Trust 2554, 18.054%, 7/01/47 – AGM Insured (IF)			
	Duarte, California, Certificates of Participation, City of Hope National	4/11 at		
10,500	Medical Center,	100.00	A+	10,447,290
	Series 1999A, 5.250%, 4/01/31			
	Loma Linda, California, Hospital Revenue Bonds, Loma Linda	12/15 at		
1,000	University Medical Center, Series	100.00	BBB	946,870
	2005A, 5.000%, 12/01/23			
2,860			BBB	3,182,122

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	Loma Linda, California, Hospital Revenue Bonds, Loma Linda University Medical Center, Series 2008A, 8.250%, 12/01/38	12/17 at 100.00		
1,000	Madera County, California, Certificates of Participation, Children's Hospital Central California, Series 2010, 5.375%, 3/15/36	3/20 at 100.00	A-	947,690
675	Oak Valley Hospital District, Stanislaus County, California, Revenue Bonds, Series 2010A, 6.500%, 11/01/29	11/20 at 100.00	BBB-	657,072
5,450	Palomar Pomerado Health Care District, California, Certificates of Participation, Series 2010, 6.000%, 11/01/41	11/20 at 100.00	Baa3	5,206,930
2,570	Rancho Mirage Joint Powers Financing Authority, California, Revenue Bonds, Eisenhower Medical Center, Series 2007A, 5.000%, 7/01/38	7/17 at 100.00	Baa1	2,228,473
3,000	Santa Clara County Financing Authority, California, Insured Revenue Bonds, El Camino Hospital, Series 2007A, 5.750%, 2/01/41 – AMBAC Insured	8/17 at 100.00	A+	3,062,100
98,116	Total Health Care Housing/Multifamily – 2.9% (1.9% of Total Investments)			94,913,800
2,010	California Municipal Finance Authority, Mobile Home Park Revenue Bonds, Caritas Projects Series 2010A, 6.400%, 8/15/45	8/20 at 100.00	BBB-	1,946,745
4,785	Contra Costa County, California, Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds, Delta View Apartments Project, Series 1999C, 6.750%, 12/01/30 (Alternative Minimum Tax)	12/10 at 101.00	N/R	4,242,860
320	Independent Cities Lease Finance Authority, California, Mobile Home Park Revenue Bonds, San Juan Mobile Estates, Series 2006B, 5.850%, 5/15/41	5/16 at 100.00	N/R	277,459
1,725	Rohnert Park Finance Authority, California, Senior Lien Revenue Bonds, Rancho Feliz Mobile Home Park, Series 2003A, 5.750%, 9/15/38	9/13 at 100.00	A+	1,673,647