

MFS CHARTER INCOME TRUST
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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 811-5822

MFS CHARTER INCOME TRUST

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

500 Boylston Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02116

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Susan S. Newton

Massachusetts Financial Services Company

500 Boylston Street

Boston, Massachusetts 02116

(Name and address of agents for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 954-5000

Date of fiscal year end: November 30

Date of reporting period: August 31, 2012

ITEM 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS.

QUARTERLY REPORT

August 31, 2012

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INCOME TRUST**

PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

8/31/12 (unaudited)

The Portfolio of Investments is a complete list of all securities owned by your fund. It is categorized by broad-based asset classes.

Issuer	Shares/Par	Value (\$)
Bonds - 111.0%		
Aerospace - 1.4%		
Bombardier, Inc., 7.5%, 2018 (n)	\$ 2,115,000	\$ 2,352,938
Bombardier, Inc., 7.75%, 2020 (n)	375,000	421,875
CPI International, Inc., 8%, 2018	840,000	789,600
Heckler & Koch GmbH, 9.5%, 2018 (z)	EUR 505,000	504,975
Huntington Ingalls Industries, Inc., 7.125%, 2021	\$ 1,865,000	2,018,863
Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc., 10%, 2017	1,495,000	1,592,175
		\$ 7,680,426
Agricultural Products - 0.0%		
Corporacion Azucarera del Peru S.A., 6.375%, 2022 (n)	\$ 100,000	\$ 103,500
Airlines - 0.0%		
Continental Airlines, Inc., 7.25%, 2021	\$ 198,384	\$ 226,158
Apparel Manufacturers - 0.6%		
Hanesbrands, Inc., 8%, 2016	\$ 660,000	\$ 735,900
Hanesbrands, Inc., 6.375%, 2020	390,000	423,150
Jones Group, Inc., 6.875%, 2019	455,000	450,450
Levi Strauss & Co., 6.875%, 2022	175,000	181,563
Phillips-Van Heusen Corp., 7.375%, 2020	1,305,000	1,461,600
		\$ 3,252,663
Asset-Backed & Securitized - 6.3%		
Anthracite Ltd., A , CDO, FRN, 0.6%, 2019 (z)	\$ 1,025,780	\$ 892,429
Anthracite Ltd., BFL , CDO, FRN, 1.24%, 2037 (z)	3,000,000	2,985,000
Banc of America Commercial Mortgage, Inc., FRN, 5.92%, 2051	1,500,000	1,761,875
Bayview Financial Acquisition Trust, FRN, 5.483%, 2041	180,612	180,769
Bayview Financial Revolving Mortgage Loan Trust, FRN, 1.84%, 2040 (z)	772,558	499,147
Citigroup/Deutsche Bank Commercial Mortgage Trust, FRN, 5.366%, 2049	1,605,000	1,606,258
Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, FRN, 5.97%, 2046	230,000	243,390
Countrywide Asset-Backed Certificates, FRN, 5.147%, 2035	797,779	751,768
Credit Suisse Mortgage Capital Certificate, FRN, 5.866%, 2039	1,400,000	1,396,791
Crest Ltd., CDO, 7%, 2040 (a)(p)	2,337,974	116,899
First Union-Lehman Brothers Bank of America, FRN, 0.602%, 2035 (i)	13,919,055	230,861
JPMorgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., A3 , FRN, 6.002%, 2049	1,000,000	1,070,120
JPMorgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., A3 , FRN, 6.174%, 2051	6,000,000	6,379,584
JPMorgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., A4 , FRN, 6.002%, 2049	5,000,000	5,688,260
JPMorgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., C , FRN, 6.246%, 2051	185,000	39,110
Merrill Lynch Mortgage Trust, FRN, 6.041%, 2050	1,350,000	1,523,305
Multi Security Asset Trust, A3 , CDO, 5%, 2035 (z)	746,410	752,008
Spirit Master Funding LLC, 5.05%, 2023 (z)	1,265,049	1,194,535
Wachovia Bank Commercial Mortgage Trust, A4 , FRN, 6.097%, 2051	7,250,000	8,437,797
		\$ 35,749,906
Automotive - 2.9%		
Accuride Corp., 9.5%, 2018	\$ 1,935,000	\$ 1,959,188
Allison Transmission, Inc., 7.125%, 2019 (n)	945,000	999,338
Automotores Gildemeister S.A., 8.25%, 2021 (n)	137,000	147,960
Chrysler Group LLC/CG Co-Issuer, Inc., 8.25%, 2021	235,000	247,925
Ford Motor Co., 7.45%, 2031	800,000	988,000
Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC, 8%, 2014	485,000	537,442
Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC, 12%, 2015	4,290,000	5,341,050

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Portfolio of Investments (unaudited) continued

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Bonds - continued		
Automotive - continued		
Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC, 8.125%, 2020	\$ 345,000	\$ 427,164
General Motors Financial Co., Inc., 4.75%, 2017 (z)	380,000	382,578
General Motors Financial Co., Inc., 6.75%, 2018	795,000	881,451
Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., 8.25%, 2020	185,000	202,575
Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., 7%, 2022	350,000	364,000
Jaguar Land Rover PLC, 7.75%, 2018 (n)	430,000	453,650
Jaguar Land Rover PLC, 8.125%, 2021 (n)	2,065,000	2,194,063
Lear Corp., 8.125%, 2020	1,071,000	1,204,875
		\$ 16,331,259
Basic Industry - 0.1%		
Trimas Corp., 9.75%, 2017	\$ 636,000	\$ 709,140
Broadcasting - 3.5%		
Allbritton Communications Co., 8%, 2018	\$ 900,000	\$ 969,750
AMC Networks, Inc., 7.75%, 2021	548,000	620,610
Clear Channel Communications, Inc., 9%, 2021	1,068,000	915,810
Clear Channel Worldwide Holdings, Inc., 7.625%, 2020	1,115,000	1,081,550
Clear Channel Worldwide Holdings, Inc., A, 7.625%, 2020	50,000	47,750
Hughes Network Systems LLC, 7.625%, 2021	765,000	845,325
Inmarsat Finance PLC, 7.375%, 2017 (n)	790,000	859,125
Intelsat Bermuda Ltd., 11.25%, 2017	1,435,000	1,506,750
Intelsat Bermuda Ltd., 11.5%, 2017 (p)	1,870,000	1,963,500
Intelsat Jackson Holdings Ltd., 11.25%, 2016	320,000	336,800
Liberty Media Corp., 8.5%, 2029	675,000	715,500
Liberty Media Corp., 8.25%, 2030	355,000	374,969
Local TV Finance LLC, 9.25%, 2015 (p)(z)	915,374	933,681
Newport Television LLC, 13%, 2017 (n)(p)	1,086,949	1,176,622
News America, Inc., 6.2%, 2034	325,000	391,487
Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc., 8.875%, 2017	320,000	344,000
Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., 9.25%, 2017 (n)	1,425,000	1,585,313
Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., 8.375%, 2018	185,000	202,344
SIRIUS XM Radio, Inc., 13%, 2013 (n)	195,000	216,694
SIRIUS XM Radio, Inc., 8.75%, 2015 (n)	725,000	826,500
SIRIUS XM Radio, Inc., 7.625%, 2018 (n)	975,000	1,077,375
SIRIUS XM Radio, Inc., 5.25%, 2022 (z)	150,000	150,000
Townsquare Radio LLC, 9%, 2019 (z)	380,000	401,850
Univision Communications, Inc., 6.875%, 2019 (n)	730,000	753,725
Univision Communications, Inc., 7.875%, 2020 (n)	535,000	573,788
Univision Communications, Inc., 8.5%, 2021 (n)	710,000	718,875
		\$ 19,589,693
Brokerage & Asset Managers - 0.5%		
E*TRADE Financial Corp., 7.875%, 2015	\$ 785,000	\$ 798,738
E*TRADE Financial Corp., 12.5%, 2017	1,815,000	2,071,369
		\$ 2,870,107
Building - 1.9%		
Building Materials Holding Corp., 6.875%, 2018 (n)	\$ 985,000	\$ 1,056,413
Building Materials Holding Corp., 7%, 2020 (n)	600,000	649,500
Building Materials Holding Corp., 6.75%, 2021 (n)	440,000	480,700
CEMEX Finance LLC, 9.5%, 2016 (n)	1,275,000	1,300,500
CEMEX S.A., 9.25%, 2020	525,000	511,875
HD Supply, Inc., 8.125%, 2019 (n)	495,000	537,075
Masonite International Corp., 8.25%, 2021 (n)	1,195,000	1,251,763

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Building - continued		
Nortek, Inc., 8.5%, 2021	\$ 1,375,000	\$ 1,460,938
Odebrecht Finance Ltd., 5.125%, 2022 (n)	200,000	207,000
Odebrecht Finance Ltd., 7.125%, 2042 (n)	200,000	219,000
Owens Corning, 9%, 2019	1,880,000	2,367,606
Roofing Supply Group LLC/Roofing Supply Finance, Inc., 10%, 2020 (n)	355,000	379,850
USG Corp., 7.875%, 2020 (n)	480,000	510,600
		\$ 10,932,820
Business Services - 1.3%		
Ceridian Corp., 12.25%, 2015 (p)	\$ 365,000	\$ 361,350
Ceridian Corp., 8.875%, 2019 (z)	350,000	375,375
Fidelity National Information Services, Inc., 7.625%, 2017	320,000	352,000
Fidelity National Information Services, Inc., 5%, 2022	455,000	473,200
iGate Corp., 9%, 2016	1,448,000	1,567,460
Iron Mountain, Inc., 8.375%, 2021	1,360,000	1,502,800
Legend Acquisition Sub, Inc., 10.75%, 2020 (z)	440,000	434,500
SunGard Data Systems, Inc., 10.25%, 2015	915,000	936,731
SunGard Data Systems, Inc., 7.375%, 2018	1,065,000	1,131,563
Tencent Holdings Ltd., 3.375%, 2018 (z)	449,000	450,097
		\$ 7,585,076
Cable TV - 3.3%		
Bresnan Broadband Holdings LLC, 8%, 2018 (n)	\$ 270,000	\$ 286,200
CCH II LLC, 13.5%, 2016	1,350,000	1,478,250
CCO Holdings LLC, 7.875%, 2018	1,995,000	2,164,575
CCO Holdings LLC, 8.125%, 2020	1,085,000	1,220,625
CCO Holdings LLC, 7.375%, 2020	250,000	277,500
Cequel Communications Holdings, 8.625%, 2017 (n)	990,000	1,063,013
CSC Holdings LLC, 8.5%, 2014	845,000	928,444
DIRECTV Holdings LLC, 5.2%, 2020	1,240,000	1,400,078
DISH DBS Corp., 6.75%, 2021	1,000,000	1,065,000
EchoStar Corp., 7.125%, 2016	450,000	495,000
Myriad International Holdings B.V., 6.375%, 2017 (n)	485,000	548,656
Nara Cable Funding Ltd., 8.875%, 2018 (z)	475,000	431,063
ONO Finance II PLC, 10.875%, 2019 (n)	300,000	240,000
Telenet Finance Luxembourg, 6.375%, 2020 (n)	EUR 250,000	327,028
Time Warner Cable, Inc., 5%, 2020	\$ 1,150,000	1,330,382
UPC Holding B.V., 9.875%, 2018 (n)	925,000	1,038,313
UPCB Finance III Ltd., 6.625%, 2020 (n)	1,104,000	1,167,480
Videotron Ltee, 5%, 2022	485,000	514,100
Virgin Media Finance PLC, 9.5%, 2016	164,000	183,270
Virgin Media Finance PLC, 8.375%, 2019	475,000	536,750
Virgin Media Finance PLC, 5.25%, 2022	820,000	8