

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, 2011

ITEM 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS.

MFS® Charter Income Trust

QUARTERLY REPORT

August 31, 2011

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PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (unaudited) 8/31/11

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 109.8%		
Aerospace 1.1%		
BE Aerospace, Inc., 8.5%, 2018	\$ 1,225,000	\$ 1,316,844
Bombardier, Inc., 7.5%, 2018 (n)	885,000	962,438
Bombardier, Inc., 7.75%, 2020 (n)	375,000	409,688
CPI International, Inc., 8%, 2018	840,000	756,000
Hawker Beechcraft Acquisition Co. LLC, 8.5%, 2015	1,079,000	480,155
Heckler & Koch GmbH, 9.5%, 2018 (z)	EUR 780,000	873,967
Huntington Ingalls Industries, Inc., 7.125%, 2021 (n)	\$ 1,285,000	1,207,900
		\$ 6,006,992
Airlines 0.1%		
Continental Airlines, Inc., 7.25%, 2021	\$ 209,422	\$ 219,893
Tam Capital 3, Inc., 8.375%, 2021 (n)	282,000	280,590
		\$ 500,483
Apparel Manufacturers 0.5%		
Hanesbrands, Inc., 8%, 2016	\$ 660,000	\$ 706,200
Hanesbrands, Inc., 6.375%, 2020	390,000	385,125
Phillips-Van Heusen Corp., 7.375%, 2020	1,305,000	1,366,988
		\$ 2,458,313
Asset-Backed & Securitized 7.0%		
Anthracite Ltd., A , CDO, FRN, 0.575%, 2019 (z)	\$ 1,228,257	\$ 1,047,089
Anthracite Ltd., BFL , CDO, FRN, 1.216%, 2037 (z)	3,000,000	2,610,000
Banc of America Commercial Mortgage, Inc., FRN, 5.916%, 2051	1,500,000	1,603,917
Bayview Financial Acquisition Trust, FRN, 5.483%, 2041	246,127	243,900
Bayview Financial Revolving Mortgage Loan Trust, FRN, 1.82%, 2040 (z)	829,156	459,513
Citigroup/Deutsche Bank Commercial Mortgage Trust, FRN, 5.366%, 2049	1,605,000	1,318,134
Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, FRN, 5.968%, 2046	230,000	218,799
Countrywide Asset-Backed Certificates, FRN, 5.147%, 2035	1,062,902	1,001,449
Credit Suisse Mortgage Capital Certificate, FRN, 5.902%, 2039	1,400,000	1,449,925
Crest Ltd., CDO, 7%, 2040 (a)	2,181,233	109,062
First Union-Lehman Brothers Bank of America, FRN, 0.564%, 2035 (i)	15,749,906	263,433
First Union-Lehman Brothers Commercial Mortgage Trust, 7%, 2029 (n)	415,288	426,740
JPMorgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., 5.42%, 2049	1,255,000	1,329,036
JPMorgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., C , FRN, 6.257%, 2051	185,000	104,268
JPMorgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., A3 , FRN, 6.004%, 2049	1,000,000	1,055,765
JPMorgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., A4 , FRN, 6.004%, 2049	5,000,000	5,285,830
JPMorgan Chase Commercial Mortgage Securities Corp., FRN, 6.185%, 2051	6,000,000	6,373,560
Merrill Lynch Mortgage Trust, FRN, 6.021%, 2050	1,350,000	1,432,084
Multi Security Asset Trust, A3 , 5%, 2035 (z)	1,293,637	1,293,637
Spirit Master Funding LLC, 5.05%, 2023 (z)	1,388,601	1,274,361
Structured Asset Securities Corp., FRN, 4.67%, 2035	10,253	10,253
Wachovia Bank Commercial Mortgage Trust, A4 , FRN, 6.096%, 2051	7,250,000	7,694,345
Wachovia Bank Commercial Mortgage Trust, FRN, 5.878%, 2047	1,503,155	715,577

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\$ 37,320,677

Automotive 1.8%

Accuride Corp., 9.5%, 2018	\$ 1,205,000	\$ 1,214,038
Allison Transmission, Inc., 7.125%, 2019 (n)	850,000	788,375
Automotores Gildemeister S.A., 8.25%, 2021 (n)	137,000	139,055
Chrysler Group LLC/CG Co-Issuer, Inc., 8.25%, 2021 (z)	265,000	229,225
Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC, 8%, 2014	485,000	524,478
Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC, 12%, 2015	4,165,000	5,027,388
General Motors Financial Co., Inc., 6.75%, 2018 (n)	665,000	661,675
Jaguar Land Rover PLC, 7.75%, 2018 (n)	165,000	155,100

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Bonds continued		
Automotive continued		
Jaguar Land Rover PLC, 8.125%, 2021 (n)	\$ 750,000	\$ 703,125
RCI Banque S.A., 4.6%, 2016 (n)	232,000	240,290
		\$ 9,682,749
Basic Industry 0.2%		
Trimas Corp., 9.75%, 2017	\$ 795,000	\$ 854,625
Broadcasting 3.4%		
Allbritton Communications Co., 8%, 2018	\$ 1,320,000	\$ 1,283,700
AMC Networks, Inc., 7.75%, 2021 (n)	548,000	567,180
Citadel Broadcasting Corp., 7.75%, 2018 (n)	180,000	193,950
Clear Channel Communications, Inc., 9%, 2021	1,068,000	859,740
EH Holding Corp., 7.625%, 2021 (n)	765,000	761,175
Entravision Communications Corp., 8.75%, 2017	240,000	234,000
Gray Television, Inc., 10.5%, 2015	155,000	149,575
Inmarsat Finance PLC, 7.375%, 2017 (n)	1,145,000	1,190,800
Intelsat Bermuda Ltd., 11.25%, 2017	635,000	615,950
Intelsat Jackson Holdings Ltd., 9.5%, 2016	4,100,000	4,253,750
Intelsat Jackson Holdings Ltd., 11.25%, 2016	220,000	229,900
Lamar Media Corp., 6.625%, 2015	470,000	467,650
Lamar Media Corp., C, 6.625%, 2015	135,000	133,988
Liberty Media Corp., 8.5%, 2029	630,000	617,400
Local TV Finance LLC, 9.25%, 2015 (p)(z)	1,220,374	1,125,795
Newport Television LLC, 13%, 2017 (n)(p)	62,991	58,877
News America, Inc., 6.2%, 2034	325,000	341,326
News America, Inc., 6.9%, 2039	205,000	232,185
Nexstar Broadcasting Group, Inc., 8.875%, 2017	320,000	328,000
Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., 9.25%, 2017 (n)	1,425,000	1,517,625
Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., 8.375%, 2018	185,000	185,463
SIRIUS XM Radio, Inc., 13%, 2013 (n)	195,000	218,888
SIRIUS XM Radio, Inc., 8.75%, 2015 (n)	725,000	786,625
SIRIUS XM Radio, Inc., 7.625%, 2018 (n)	765,000	782,213
Univision Communications, Inc., 6.875%, 2019 (n)	730,000	675,250
Univision Communications, Inc., 7.875%, 2020 (n)	535,000	513,600
Univision Communications, Inc., 8.5%, 2021 (z)	190,000	162,450
		\$ 18,487,055
Brokerage & Asset Managers 0.4%		
E*TRADE Financial Corp., 7.875%, 2015	\$ 785,000	\$ 773,225
E*TRADE Financial Corp., 12.5%, 2017	1,320,000	1,518,000
		\$ 2,291,225
Building 1.8%		
Associated Materials LLC, 9.125%, 2017	\$ 150,000	\$ 132,000
Building Materials Holding Corp., 6.875%, 2018 (n)	680,000	666,400
Building Materials Holding Corp., 7%, 2020 (n)	600,000	600,000

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Building Materials Holding Corp., 6.75%, 2021 (n)	440,000	421,300
CEMEX Finance LLC, 9.5%, 2016 (n)	1,275,000	1,125,188
CEMEX S.A., 9.25%, 2020	1,695,000	1,381,425
CEMEX S.A.B. de C.V., 9%, 2018 (n)	368,000	303,600
CEMEX S.A.B. de C.V., FRN, 5.245%, 2015 (n)	291,000	226,980
Masonite International Corp., 8.25%, 2021 (n)	445,000	409,400
Nortek, Inc., 10%, 2018 (n)	435,000	415,425
Nortek, Inc., 8.5%, 2021 (n)	1,280,000	1,094,400
Odebrecht Finance Ltd., 6%, 2023 (n)	227,000	225,865
Owens Corning, 9%, 2019	1,880,000	2,210,726

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Building continued		
Roofing Supply Group LLC/Roofing Supply Finance, Inc., 8.625%, 2017 (z)	\$ 230,000	\$ 221,375
		\$ 9,434,084
Business Services 1.0%		
Ceridian Corp., 12.25%, 2015 (p)	\$ 295,000	\$ 272,875
iGate Corp., 9%, 2016 (z)	988,000	933,660
Interactive Data Corp., 10.25%, 2018	1,410,000	1,494,600
Iron Mountain, Inc., 8.375%, 2021	530,000	548,550
SunGard Data Systems, Inc., 10.25%, 2015	915,000	933,300
SunGard Data Systems, Inc., 7.375%, 2018	1,065,000	1,014,413
		\$ 5,197,398
Cable TV 3.7%		
Bresnan Broadband Holdings LLC, 8%, 2018 (n)	\$ 270,000	\$ 272,700
Cablevision Systems Corp., 8.625%, 2017	475,000	503,500
CCH II LLC, 13.5%, 2016	1,350,000	1,559,250
CCO Holdings LLC, 7.875%, 2018	1,365,000	1,419,600
CCO Holdings LLC, 8.125%, 2020	870,000	920,025
Cequel Communications Holdings, 8.625%, 2017 (n)	780,000	811,200
Charter Communications Operating LLC, 10.875%, 2014 (n)	325,000	350,594
CSC Holdings LLC, 8.5%, 2014	845,000	914,713
CSC Holdings LLC, 8.5%, 2015	2,315,000	2,477,050
DIRECTV Holdings LLC, 5.2%, 2020	1,240,000	1,364,446
Insight Communications Co., Inc., 9.375%, 2018 (n)	820,000	936,850
Mediacom LLC, 9.125%, 2019	975,000	984,750
Myriad International Holdings B.V., 6.375%, 2017 (n)	857,000	921,275
ONO Finance II PLC, 10.875%, 2019 (n)	300,000	267,000
TCI Communications, Inc., 9.8%, 2012	701,000	725,680