

NUVEEN CALIFORNIA DIVIDEND ADVANTAGE MUNICIPAL FUND

Form N-Q

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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 811-09161

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

Nuveen Investments
333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606
(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: 5/31/12

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Item 1. Schedule of Investments

Portfolio of Investments (Unaudited)
 Nuveen California Dividend Advantage
 Municipal Fund (NAC)
 May 31, 2012

Principal Amount (000)	Description (1)	Optional Call Provisions (2)	Ratings (3)	Value
	Consumer Staples – 7.1% (5.0% of Total Investments)			
\$ 810	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	BB+	\$ 784,080
20,615	Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corporation, California, Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Bonds, Series 2007A-1: 5.750%, 6/01/47	6/17 at 100.00	BB–	16,529,107
2,895	5.125%, 6/01/47	6/17 at 100.00	BB–	2,094,214
8,255	Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corporation, California, Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Bonds, Series 2007A-2, 0.000%, 6/01/37	6/22 at 100.00	BB–	6,174,988
32,575	Total Consumer Staples			25,582,389
	Education and Civic Organizations – 6.1% (4.2% of Total Investments)			
2,500	California Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, Santa Clara University, Series 2010, 5.000%, 2/01/40	2/20 at 100.00	Aa3	2,745,725
290	California Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, University of Redlands, Series 2005A, 5.000%, 10/01/35	10/15 at 100.00	A3	297,537
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	Aa1	10,772,200
	California Educational Facilities Authority, Revenue Bonds, University of the Pacific, Series 2006:			

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200	5.000%, 11/01/21	11/15 at 100.00	A2	214,954
265	5.000%, 11/01/25	11/15 at 100.00	A2	280,431
4,685	California State Public Works Board, Lease Revenue Bonds, University of California Regents, Tender Option Bond Trust 1065, 9.071%, 3/01/33 (IF)	3/18 at 100.00	Aa2	5,423,450
1,250	California Statewide Communities Development Authority, School Facility Revenue Bonds, Alliance College-Ready Public Schools, Series 2011A, 7.000%, 7/01/46	7/21 at 100.00	BBB	1,351,925
605	California Statewide Community Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Notre Dame de Namur	10/13 at 100.00	N/R	613,470
19,795	University, Series 2003, 6.500%, 10/01/23 Total Education and Civic Organizations Health Care – 31.1% (21.7% of Total Investments)			21,699,692
2,160	California Health Facilities Financing Authority, Health Facility Revenue Bonds, Adventist	3/13 at 100.00	A	2,219,011
3,815	Health System/West, Series 2003A, 5.000%, 3/01/15 California Health Facilities Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds, Catholic Healthcare West,	7/15 at 100.00	A+	4,168,345
1,420	Series 2008J, 5.625%, 7/01/32 California Health Facilities Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds, Rady Children’s Hospital –	8/21 at 100.00	A+	1,505,498
14,895	San Diego, Series 2011, 5.250%, 8/15/41 California Health Facilities Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds, Sutter Health, Series 2007A,	11/16 at 100.00	AA–	15,693,074
6,530	5.250%, 11/15/46 (UB) California Health Facilities Financing Authority, Revenue Bonds, Sutter Health, Series 2011B,	8/20 at 100.00	AA–	7,733,871
1,120	6.000%, 8/15/42 California Statewide Communities Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Adventist Health System	3/15 at 100.00	A	1,153,678
5,500	West, Series 2005A, 5.000%, 3/01/35 California Statewide Communities Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Sutter Health, Series	8/20 at 100.00	AA–	6,513,980
3,325	2011A, 6.000%, 8/15/42	7/17 at 100.00	N/R	3,358,051

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	California Statewide Communities Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, ValleyCare Health System, Series 2007A, 5.125%, 7/15/31			
1,760	5.250%, 7/01/24	7/15 at 100.00	BBB	1,839,270
3,870	5.250%, 7/01/30	7/15 at 100.00	BBB	3,938,615
	California Statewide Community Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Daughters of Charity Health System, Series 2005A:			
10,140	5.000%, 3/01/41	3/16 at 100.00	A+	10,548,338
	California Statewide Community Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Kaiser Permanente System, Series 2006, 5.000%, 3/01/41			
3,095	5.250%, 8/01/31	8/16 at 100.00	A+	3,432,417
	California Statewide Community Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Kaiser Permanente System, Series 2001C, 5.250%, 8/01/31			
9,980	5.000%, 3/01/41 – BHAC Insured (UB)	3/16 at 100.00	AA+	10,571,914
	California Statewide Community Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, Methodist Hospital Project, Series 2009, 6.750%, 2/01/38			
2,250	18.352%, 7/01/47 – AGM Insured (IF)	8/19 at 100.00	Aa2	2,720,138
	California Statewide Community Development Authority, Revenue Bonds, St. Joseph Health System, Trust 2554, 18.352%, 7/01/47 – AGM Insured (IF)			
1,586	Duarte, California, Certificates of Participation, City of Hope National Medical Center, Series 1999A, 5.250%, 4/01/31	7/18 at 100.00	AA–	2,101,958
10,500	Loma Linda, California, Hospital Revenue Bonds, Loma Linda University Medical Center, Series 2005A, 5.000%, 12/01/23	10/12 at 100.00	AA–	10,509,555
	Loma Linda, California, Hospital Revenue Bonds, Loma Linda University Medical Center, Series 2008A, 8.250%, 12/01/38			
1,000	Madera County, California, Certificates of Participation, Children’s Hospital Central California, Series 2010, 5.375%, 3/15/36	12/15 at 100.00	BBB	1,007,400
	Newport Beach, California, Revenue Bonds, Hoag Memorial Hospital Presybterian, Series 2011A, 6.000%, 12/01/40			
2,860		12/17 at 100.00	BBB	3,276,330
1,000		3/20 at 100.00	A+	1,052,520
1,725		12/21 at 100.00	AA	2,088,854
675	Oak Valley Hospital District, Stanislaus County, California, Revenue Bonds, Series	11/20 at 100.00	BB+	695,432

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5,450	2010A, 6.500%, 11/01/29 Palomar Pomerado Health Care District, California, Certificates of Participation, Series 2010, 6.000%, 11/01/41	11/20 at 100.00	Baa3	5,741,957
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	Baa2	2,588,812
3,300	San Buenaventura, California, Revenue Bonds, Community Memorial Health System, Series 2011, 7.500%, 12/01/41	12/21 at 100.00	BB	3,920,631
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+	3,226,020
103,526	Total Health Care Housing/Multifamily – 2.8% (2.0% of Total Investments)			111,605,669
2,000	California Municipal Finance Authority, Mobile Home Park Revenue Bonds, Caritas Projects Series 2010A, 6.400%, 8/15/45	8/20 at 100.00	BBB	2,176,280
4,600	California Municipal Finance Authority, Mobile Home Park Revenue Bonds, Caritas Projects			