

Nuveen Preferred & Income Securities Fund  
Form N-Q  
December 28, 2018

**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 811-21137

**Nuveen Preferred & Income Securities Fund**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606**

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

**Gifford R. Zimmerman 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: July 31

Date of reporting period: October 31, 2018

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**

**JPS Nuveen Preferred & Income Securities Fund**

**Portfolio of Investments October 31, 2018**  
(Unaudited)

<b>Principal Amount (000)/</b>	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Description (1)</b>	<b>Coupon</b>	<b>Maturity</b>	<b>Ratings (2)</b>	<b>Value</b>
<b>LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS 150.0% (99.1% of Total Investments)</b>						
<b>\$1,000 PAR (OR SIMILAR) INSTITUTIONAL PREFERRED 69.0% (45.6% of Total Investments)</b>						
<b>Automobiles 0.1%</b>						
\$	1,000	General Motors Financial Co Inc.	5.750%	N/A (3)	BB+	\$ 900,480
<b>Banks 12.9%</b>						
	24,389	Citizens Financial Group Inc.	5.500%	N/A (3)	BB+	24,571,917
	1,000	Citizens Financial Group Inc., (4)	6.375%	N/A (3)	BB+	999,885
	18,000	CoBank ACB	6.250%	N/A (3)	BBB+	18,810,000
	1,250	DNB Bank ASA	2.625%	N/A (3)	Baa2	899,375
	1,250	DNB Bank ASA	1.573%	N/A (3)	Baa2	898,125
	25,580	First Union Capital II, (4)	7.950%	11/15/29	Baa1	31,306,499
	6,700	JPMorgan Chase & Company	6.000%	N/A (3)	Baa2	6,733,500
	8,000	KeyCorp Capital III	7.750%	7/15/29	Baa2	9,679,284
	12,000	Lloyds Bank PLC, 144A, (4)	12.000%	N/A (3)	Baa3	14,405,232
	20,900	Lloyds Bank PLC, Reg S	12.000%	N/A (3)	Baa3	25,086,416
	4,800	Lloyds Banking Group PLC, 144A	6.413%	N/A (3)	Baa3	4,788,000
	9,850	Lloyds Banking Group PLC, 144A, (6)	6.657%	N/A (3)	Baa3	9,979,232
	9,100	M&T Bank Corp, (4)	6.375%	N/A (3)	Baa1	9,100,000
	28,700	PNC Financial Services Group Inc., (6)	6.750%	N/A (3)	Baa2	30,278,500
	25,000	Standard Chartered PLC, 144A, (6)	7.014%	N/A (3)	Ba1	25,852,000
	3,000	Wells Fargo & Co	5.875%	N/A (3)	Baa2	3,090,000
	31,278	Wells Fargo & Co, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 3.770% spread), (5), (6)	6.111%	N/A (3)	Baa2	31,512,585
		Total Banks				247,990,550
<b>Capital Markets 4.5%</b>						
	12,100	Bank of New York Mellon Corp, (6)	4.950%	N/A (3)	Baa1	12,175,625
	18,700	Charles Schwab Corp, (6)	7.000%	N/A (3)	BBB	20,242,750
	4,500	Dresdner Funding Trust I, 144A	8.151%	6/30/31	Ba1	5,580,000
	28,500	Dresdner Funding Trust I, Reg S	8.151%	6/30/31	Ba1	35,375,625
	3,500	Goldman Sachs Group Inc./The	5.700%	N/A (3)	Ba1	3,508,750
	5,900	Morgan Stanley	5.550%	N/A (3)	BB+	5,959,000

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2,800	State Street Corp	5.625%	N/A (3)	Baa1	2,807,000
	Total Capital Markets				85,648,750
	<b>Consumer Finance</b>	<b>0.4%</b>			
8,000	Capital One Financial Corp, (6)	5.550%	N/A (3)	Baa3	8,080,000
	<b>Diversified Financial Services</b>	<b>13.9%</b>			
2,861	Bank of America Corp, (4)	8.050%	6/15/27	BBB	3,458,998
14,300	Bank of America Corp	6.500%	N/A (3)	BBB	15,164,435
16,000	Bank of America Corp	6.300%	N/A (3)	BBB	16,860,000
12,300	Bank of America Corp	6.100%	N/A (3)	BBB	12,622,875
7,000	Citigroup Inc.	6.250%	N/A (3)	BB+	7,148,750
43,000	Citigroup Inc., (4)	6.125%	N/A (3)	BB+	43,967,500
9,250	Citigroup Inc.	5.950%	N/A (3)	BB+	9,261,562
17,557	Cooperatieve Rabobank UA, 144A	11.000%	N/A (3)	BBB	18,364,622
10,000	Cooperatieve Rabobank UA, Reg S	11.000%	N/A (3)	BBB	10,460,000
54,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co, (6)	6.750%	N/A (3)	Baa2	57,591,000
10,000	JPMorgan Chase & Co, (4)	6.100%	N/A (3)	Baa2	10,165,500
4,900	JPMorgan Chase & Co	5.300%	N/A (3)	Baa2	4,973,500
19,582	JPMorgan Chase & Co, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 3.470% spread), (5)	5.990%	N/A (3)	Baa2	19,655,433
14,530	Transcanada Trust, (4)	5.875%	8/15/76	Baa2	14,303,332

**JPS Nuveen Preferred & Income Securities Fund** (continued)  
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(Unaudited)

<b>Principal Amount (000)/ Shares</b>	<b>Description (1)</b>	<b>Coupon</b>	<b>Maturity</b>	<b>Ratings (2)</b>	<b>Value</b>
<b>Diversified Financial Services</b> (continued)					
\$ 5,000	Voya Financial Inc.	6.125%	N/A (3)	BB+	\$ 4,968,750
17,705	Voya Financial Inc., (4)	5.650%	5/15/53	Baa3	17,439,425
<b>Total Diversified Financial Services</b>					<b>266,405,682</b>
<b>Electric Utilities 3.4%</b>					
27,955	Emera Inc., (4), (6)	6.750%	6/15/76	BBB	29,143,088
1,000	NextEra Energy Capital Holdings Inc., (4)	4.464%	10/01/66	BBB	935,000
11,450	NextEra Energy Capital Holdings Inc.	4.466%	6/15/67	BBB	10,850,329
1,600	NextEra Energy Capital Holdings Inc.	4.800%	12/01/77	BBB	1,440,000
23,482	PPL Capital Funding Inc., (4)	5.051%	3/30/67	BBB	22,777,540
<b>Total Electric Utilities</b>					<b>65,145,957</b>
<b>Energy Equipment &amp; Services</b> <b>2.3%</b>					
30,000	HSBC Capital Funding Dollar 1 LP, 144A, (6)	10.176%	N/A (3)	BBB+	44,100,000
<b>Food Products 0.2%</b>					
4,500	Dairy Farmers of America Inc., 144A, (4)	7.125%	N/A (3)	BB+	4,702,500
<b>Insurance 25.0%</b>					
3,598	ACE Capital Trust II	9.700%	4/01/30	BBB+	5,007,085
9,800	AIG Life Holdings Inc., (4)	8.500%	7/01/30	Baa2	11,956,000
4,400	Allstate Corp, (4)	5.750%	8/15/53	Baa1	4,444,440
1,200	Allstate Corp	6.500%	5/15/57	Baa1	1,300,500
10,000	American International Group Inc., (4)	5.750%	4/01/48	Baa2	9,443,800
13,605	American International Group Inc., (4)	8.175%	5/15/68	Baa2	16,734,150
2,299	Aon Corp, (4)	8.205%	1/01/27	BBB	2,735,810
5,000	Argentum Netherlands BV for Swiss Re Ltd, Reg S	5.750%	8/15/50	BBB+	4,965,100
16,550	AXA SA, (4), (6)	8.600%	12/15/30	A3	21,018,500
17,819	AXA SA, 144A, (6)	6.380%	N/A (3)	Baa1	18,442,665
900	AXA SA, Reg S	5.500%	N/A (3)	A3	856,746
32,854	Catlin Insurance Co Ltd, 144A	5.425%	N/A (3)	BBB+	32,279,055
1,200		6.600%	5/15/37	BBB	1,167,000

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	Everest Reinsurance Holdings Inc., (4)				
8,100	Great-West Life & Annuity Insurance Capital LP, 144A	6.625%	11/15/34	A	9,121,412
16,150	Hartford Financial Services Group Inc., 144A, (4)	4.437%	8/15/67	BBB	14,858,000
31,200	Legal & General Group PLC, Reg S	5.250%	3/21/47	A3	29,065,670
30,860	Liberty Mutual Group Inc., 144A, (4)	7.800%	3/15/37	Baa3	35,334,700
20,369	Liberty Mutual Group Inc., 144A	5.239%	3/07/67	Baa3	19,656,085
3,277	Lincoln National Corp, (4)	7.000%	5/17/66	BBB	2,998,455
10,390	Lincoln National Corp, (4)	6.050%	4/20/67	BBB	9,299,050
6,800	Meiji Yasuda Life Insurance Co, 144A, (4)	5.100%	4/26/48	A3	6,732,000
36,531	MetLife Inc., 144A	9.250%	4/08/38	BBB	48,403,575
26,100	MetLife Capital Trust IV, 144A, (6)	7.875%	12/15/37	BBB	31,581,000
3,000	MetLife Inc., (4)	10.750%	8/01/39	BBB	4,575,000
41,904	Nationwide Financial Services Inc., (6)	6.750%	5/15/37	Baa2	44,837,280
6,243	Oil Insurance Ltd, 144A	5.378%	N/A (3)	BBB+	6,055,710
3,890	Progressive Corp	5.375%	N/A (3)	BBB+	3,821,925
13,397	Provident Financing Trust I, (4)	7.405%	3/15/38	Baa3	14,334,790
6,225	Prudential Financial Inc., (4)	5.875%	9/15/42	BBB+	6,477,113
27,180	Prudential Financial Inc.	5.625%	6/15/43	BBB+	27,658,368
1,300	Prudential PLC, Reg S	7.750%	N/A (3)	BBB+	1,314,993
28,700	XLIT Ltd	3.687%	N/A (3)	Baa2	28,771,750
5,405	XLIT Ltd	4.906%	N/A (3)	BBB	5,297,549
	Total Insurance				480,545,276
	<b>Machinery 0.3%</b>				
6,000	Stanley Black & Decker Inc., (4)	5.750%	12/15/53	BBB+	6,005,100
	<b>Metals &amp; Mining 0.7%</b>				
13,000	BHP Billiton Finance USA Ltd, 144A, (4)	6.750%	10/19/75	BBB+	14,072,500

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<b>Multi-Utilities 0.2%</b>					
\$ 2,000	NiSource Inc., 144A	5.650%	N/A (3)	BBB	\$ 1,960,400
3,000	WEC Energy Group, Inc., (4)	4.426%	5/15/67	BBB	2,765,820
Total Multi-Utilities					4,726,220
<b>Oil, Gas &amp; Consumable Fuels 0.1%</b>					
3,000	Enterprise Products Operating LLC, (4)	5.250%	8/16/77	Baa2	2,686,810
<b>Road &amp; Rail 1.5%</b>					
25,485	BNSF Funding Trust I, (6)	6.613%	12/15/55	A	27,842,363
<b>U.S. Agency 0.2%</b>					
4,000	Farm Credit Bank of Texas, 144A	6.200%	N/A (3)	BBB	4,000,000
<b>Wireless Telecommunication Services 3.3%</b>					
58,738	Centaur Funding Corp, 144A, (4)	9.080%	4/21/20	BBB	63,143,350
Total \$1,000 Par (or similar) Institutional Preferred (cost \$1,270,486,523)					1,325,995,538

Principal Amount (000)	Description (1)	Coupon	Maturity	Ratings (2)	Value
<b>CONTINGENT CAPITAL SECURITIES 63.2% (41.7% of Total Investments) (7)</b>					
<b>Banks 46.7%</b>					
\$ 46,739	Australia & New Zealand Banking Group Ltd/United Kingdom, 144A, (6)	6.750%	N/A (3)	Baa2	\$ 47,965,899
9,600	Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria SA,	6.125%	N/A (3)	Ba2	8,268,000
24,000	Banco Santander SA, Reg S	6.375%	N/A (3)	Ba1	23,670,000
7,000	Barclays Bank PLC, (4)	7.625%	11/21/22	BBB	7,472,500
45,290	Barclays PLC	8.250%	N/A (3)	BB+	45,535,562
36,416	Barclays PLC, (6)	7.434%	N/A (3)	BB+	36,643,600
31,300	Barclays PLC, (6)	7.750%	N/A (3)	BB+	31,228,010
4,500	Barclays PLC, Reg S	7.875%	N/A (3)	BB+	4,634,442
58,750	BNP Paribas SA, 144A	7.625%	N/A (3)	BBB	61,026,563
38,585	BNP Paribas SA, 144A	7.375%	N/A (3)	BBB	39,646,087
5,500	BNP Paribas SA, 144A	7.000%	N/A (3)	BBB	5,417,500
10,000	BNP Paribas SA, Reg S	7.375%	N/A (3)	BBB	10,275,000
1,000	Credit Agricole SA, 144A	6.625%	N/A (3)	BBB	1,008,798
31,550	Credit Agricole SA, 144A, (6)	8.125%	N/A (3)	BBB	33,839,457
19,653	Credit Agricole SA, 144A	7.875%	N/A (3)	BBB	20,316,289
2,500	Danske Bank A/S, Reg S	7.000%	N/A (3)	BB+	2,309,375
11,588	Danske Bank A/S, Reg S	6.125%	N/A (3)	BB+	10,356,775
17,200	DNB Bank ASA, Reg S	6.500%	N/A (3)	BBB	17,176,642
11,000	DNB Bank ASA, Reg S	5.750%	N/A (3)	BBB	10,920,250
5,000	HSBC Holdings PLC	6.375%	N/A (3)	BBB	4,856,250
26,700	ING Groep NV	6.500%	N/A (3)	BBB	25,311,600
9,000	ING Groep NV, Reg S	6.875%	N/A (3)	BBB	9,090,000



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2,000	Intesa Sanpaolo SpA, 144A	7.700%	N/A (3)	BB	1,812,500
73,428	Lloyds Banking Group PLC	7.500%	N/A (3)	Baa3	74,070,495
35,090	Nordea Bank Abp, 144A	6.125%	N/A (3)	BBB	33,686,400
5,000	Nordea Bank Abp, Reg S	6.125%	N/A (3)	BBB	4,800,000
12,330	Nordea Bank Abp, Reg S	5.250%	N/A (3)	BBB	11,852,213
12,000	Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC	8.625%	N/A (3)	Ba2	12,615,000
22,075	Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC	8.000%	N/A (3)	Ba2	22,778,641
69,886	Royal Bank of Scotland Group PLC	7.500%	N/A (3)	Ba2	71,039,119
73,300	Societe Generale SA, 144A	8.000%	N/A (3)	BB+	74,399,500
25,400	Societe Generale SA, 144A	6.750%	N/A (3)	BB+	22,415,500
9,000	Societe Generale SA, Reg S	7.875%	N/A (3)	BB+	9,056,250
9,000	Societe Generale SA, Reg S	8.250%	N/A (3)	BB+	9,027,432
3,700	Societe Generale SA, Reg S	6.750%	N/A (3)	BB+	3,265,250
13,000	Standard Chartered PLC, 144A	7.750%	N/A (3)	Ba1	13,130,000
15,000	Standard Chartered PLC, 144A	7.500%	N/A (3)	Ba1	15,150,000
4,700	Standard Chartered PLC, Reg S	7.500%	N/A (3)	Ba1	4,747,000

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<b>Banks (continued)</b>					
\$ 2,000	Standard Chartered PLC, Reg S	6.500%	N/A (3)	Ba1	\$ 1,995,000
32,786	Svenska Handelsbanken AB, Reg S	5.250%	N/A (3)	BBB+	32,150,608
12,000	Swedbank AB, Reg S	6.000%	N/A (3)	BBB	11,730,000
13,300	UniCredit SpA, Reg S	8.000%	N/A (3)	B+	11,941,006
897,866	<b>Total Banks</b>				898,630,513
<b>Capital Markets 11.9%</b>					
11,000	Credit Suisse AG, Reg S	6.500%	8/08/23	BBB	11,620,224
12,000	Credit Suisse Group AG, 144A	7.250%	N/A (3)	Ba2	11,865,000
8,200	Credit Suisse Group AG, 144A	6.250%	N/A (3)	BB	7,979,551
58,000	Credit Suisse Group AG, 144A, (4), (6)	7.500%	N/A (3)	BB	60,387,280
1,700	Credit Suisse Group AG, Reg S	7.125%	N/A (3)	Ba2	1,725,500
20,000	Credit Suisse Group AG, Reg S	7.500%	N/A (3)	BB	20,825,160
5,075	Macquarie Bank Ltd/London, 144A	6.125%	N/A (3)	Ba1	4,554,812
2,676	UBS AG/Stamford CT, (4)	7.625%	8/17/22	A	2,930,220
42,178	UBS Group Funding Switzerland AG, Reg S	7.125%	N/A (3)	BBB	42,870,732
16,609	UBS Group Funding Switzerland AG, Reg S	7.000%	N/A (3)	BBB	17,294,121
11,700	UBS Group Funding Switzerland AG, Reg S	6.875%	N/A (3)	BBB	11,904,422
35,100	UBS Group Funding Switzerland AG, Reg S	6.875%	N/A (3)	BBB	34,669,077
224,238	<b>Total Capital Markets</b>				228,626,099
<b>Energy Equipment &amp; Services 4.6%</b>					
10,000	HSBC Holdings PLC, (4)	6.500%	N/A (3)	BBB	9,387,500
4,800	HSBC Holdings PLC, (4)	6.250%	N/A (3)	BBB	4,662,000
4,000	HSBC Holdings PLC, (4)	6.000%	N/A (3)	BBB	3,680,000
66,505	HSBC Holdings PLC, (6)	6.875%	N/A (3)	BBB	68,915,806
1,000	Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken AB, Reg S	5.625%	N/A (3)	BBB	966,694
86,305	<b>Total Energy Equipment &amp; Services</b>				87,612,000
\$ 1,208,409	<b>Total Contingent Capital Securities (cost \$1,225,081,361)</b>				1,214,868,612

<b>Shares</b>	<b>Description (1)</b>	<b>Coupon</b>	<b>Ratings (2)</b>	<b>Value</b>
	<b>\$25 PAR (OR SIMILAR) RETAIL PREFERRED</b>	<b>14.6%</b>	<b>(9.7% of Total Investments)</b>	

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**Banks 6.1%**

645,113	Citigroup Inc.	6.875%	BB+	\$	17,630,938
47,500	CoBank ACB, (8)	6.250%	BBB+		4,892,500
53,000	CoBank ACB, (8)	6.200%	BBB+		5,591,500
86,000	Fifth Third Bancorp	6.625%	Baa3		2,353,820
724,000	KeyCorp, (6)	6.125%	Baa3		19,041,200
2,164,700	PNC Financial Services Group Inc., (6)	6.125%	Baa2		57,039,845
249,285	Wells Fargo & Co	5.850%	Baa2		6,381,696
182,000	Wells Fargo & Co	5.625%	Baa2		4,522,700
	<b>Total Banks</b>				<b>117,454,199</b>

**Capital Markets 1.5%**

369,239	Goldman Sachs Group Inc.	5.500%	Ba1		9,319,592
38,534	Morgan Stanley	7.125%	BB+		1,050,822
640,000	Morgan Stanley	5.850%	BB+		16,128,000
74,642	State Street Corp	5.900%	Baa1		1,943,678
	<b>Total Capital Markets</b>				<b>28,442,092</b>

**Diversified Financial Services 0.6%**

105,300	AgriBank FCB, (8)	6.875%	BBB+		11,293,425
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**Electric Utilities 1.0%**

160,000	Alabama Power Co	5.000%	A3		3,995,200
299,756	Integrus Holding Inc., (4), (8)	6.000%	BBB		7,556,849
118,877	Interstate Power & Light Co	5.100%	BBB		3,039,685
59,142	SCE Trust VI	5.000%	Baa2		1,249,079

Shares	Description (1)	Coupon	Ratings (2)	Value
<b>Electric Utilities (continued)</b>				
63,250	SCE Trust V	5.450%	Baa2	\$ 1,547,095
86,891	Southern Co	5.250%	BBB	2,000,231
	<b>Total Electric Utilities</b>			<b>19,388,139</b>
<b>Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts</b>				
<b>0.6%</b>				
152,294	Digital Realty Trust Inc., (4)	7.375%	Baa3	3,881,974
18,639	Kimco Realty Corp, (4)	5.625%	Baa2	427,392
300	Kimco Realty Corp	5.500%	Baa2	6,765
2,100	Kimco Realty Corp	5.250%	Baa2	43,764
82,301	Prologis Inc., (8)	8.540%	BBB	5,020,361
3,488	Public Storage	5.625%	A3	85,700
2,586	Public Storage	5.200%	A3	59,090
2,705	Public Storage	5.050%	A3	62,215
2,000	SITE Centers Corp, (4)	6.500%	Ba1	46,700
76,450	SITE Centers Corp, (4)	6.250%	Ba1	1,664,317
12,199	Ventas Realty LP / Ventas Capital Corp, (4)	5.450%	BBB+	290,336
2,000	Vornado Realty Trust	5.250%	BBB	43,840
	<b>Total Equity Real Estate Investment Trusts</b>			<b>11,632,454</b>
<b>Food Products 0.7%</b>				
91,900	Dairy Farmers of America Inc., 144A, (8)	7.875%	BB+	9,212,975
32,500	Dairy Farmers of America Inc., 144A, (8)	7.875%	BBB	3,737,500
	<b>Total Food Products</b>			<b>12,950,475</b>
<b>Insurance 2.8%</b>				
608,741	Allstate Corp, (4)	5.100%	Baa1	15,279,398
54,297	American Financial Group Inc., (4)	6.250%	Baa2	1,377,515
33,829	Arch Capital Group Ltd	5.250%	BBB	751,342
131,293	Axis Capital Holdings Ltd	5.500%	BBB	3,021,052
307,730	Hartford Financial Services Group Inc., (4)	7.875%	Baa2	8,459,498
521,842	Prudential PLC	6.750%	BBB+	13,406,121
416,100	Reinsurance Group of America Inc., (4)	6.200%	BBB+	10,943,430
10,000	WR Berkley Corp, (4)	5.625%	Baa2	230,600
	<b>Total Insurance</b>			<b>53,468,956</b>
<b>Multi-Utilities 0.3%</b>				
280,000	DTE Energy Co, (6)	5.250%	Baa2	6,412,000
<b>U.S. Agency 0.7%</b>				
132,750	Farm Credit Bank of Texas, 144A, (4), (8)	6.750%	Baa1	14,071,500
<b>Wireless Telecommunication Services 0.3%</b>				
90,850	Telephone & Data Systems Inc., (4)	7.000%	BB+	2,293,963
131,990	Telephone & Data Systems Inc., (4)	6.875%	BB+	3,293,151
11,826	United States Cellular Corp, (4)	7.250%	Ba1	298,843
10,591	United States Cellular Corp, (4)	6.950%	Ba1	264,987
	<b>Total Wireless Telecommunication Services</b>			<b>6,150,944</b>

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Total \$25 Par (or similar) Retail Preferred 281,264,184  
 (cost \$272,976,910)

Shares	Description (1), (9)	Value
<b>INVESTMENT COMPANIES 1.2% (0.8% of Total Investments)</b>		
966,571	BlackRock Credit Allocation Income Trust	\$ 11,328,212
646,421	John Hancock Preferred Income Fund III	11,622,650
	Total Investment Companies (cost \$34,063,199)	22,950,862

**JPS Nuveen Preferred & Income Securities Fund** (continued)  
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<b>Principal Amount (000)</b>	<b>Description (1)</b>	<b>Coupon</b>	<b>Maturity</b>	<b>Ratings (2)</b>	<b>Value</b>
	<b>CORPORATE BONDS</b>	<b>1.1% (0.7%</b>			
	<b>of Total Investments)</b>				
	<b>Diversified Financial Services</b>	<b>0.3%</b>			
\$ 3,600	JPMorgan Chase & Co	8.750%	9/01/30	Baa1	\$ 4,879,383
	<b>Insurance</b>	<b>0.7%</b>			
5,000	AIG Life Holdings Inc., 144A	8.125%	3/15/46	Baa2	6,300,000
6,150	Liberty Mutual Insurance Co, 144A, (4)	7.697%	10/15/97	BBB+	7,997,193
11,150	Total Insurance				14,297,193
	<b>Wireless Telecommunication Services</b>	<b>0.1%</b>			
1,600	Koninklijke KPN NV, 144A, (4)	7.000%	3/28/73	BB+	1,664,400
\$ 16,350	Total Corporate Bonds (cost \$19,010,143)				20,840,976
				<b>Ratings (2)</b>	<b>Value</b>
<b>Shares</b>	<b>Description (1)</b>	<b>Coupon</b>			
	<b>CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED SECURITIES</b>	<b>0.9% (0.6% of Total Investments)</b>			
	<b>Banks</b>	<b>0.9%</b>			
12,700	Wells Fargo & Co, (6)	7.500%		Baa2	\$ 16,154,273
	Total Convertible Preferred Securities (cost \$15,192,423)				16,154,273
	<b>Total Long-Term Investments (cost \$2,836,810,559)</b>				<b>2,882,074,445</b>
<b>Principal Amount (000)</b>	<b>Description (1)</b>	<b>Coupon</b>	<b>Maturity</b>		<b>Value</b>
	<b>SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>1.4% (0.9% of Total Investments)</b>			
	<b>REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS</b>	<b>1.4% (0.9% of Total Investments)</b>			
\$ 27,529	Repurchase Agreement with Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, dated 10/31/18, repurchase price \$27,530,099, collateralized by \$30,830,000 U.S. Treasury Notes, 1.625%, due 2/15/26, value \$28,084,249	1.050%	11/01/18		\$ 27,529,296
	<b>Total Short-Term Investments (cost \$27,529,296)</b>				<b>27,529,296</b>
	<b>Total Investments (cost \$2,864,339,855)</b>	<b>151.4%</b>			<b>2,909,603,741</b>
	<b>Borrowings (44.0%) (10), (11)</b>				<b>(845,300,000)</b>

<b>Reverse Repurchase Agreements</b>	<b>(10.4)% (12)</b>	<b>(200,000,000)</b>
<b>Other Assets Less Liabilities</b>	<b>3.0% (13)</b>	<b>57,703,315</b>
<b>Net Assets Applicable to Common Shares</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 1,922,007,056</b>

**Investments in Derivatives**

**Interest Rate Swaps OTC Uncleared**

<b>Counterparty</b>	<b>Notional Amount</b>	<b>Fund Pay/Receive Floating Rate</b>	<b>Fund Floating Rate Index</b>	<b>Fixed Rate (Annualized)</b>	<b>Fixed Rate Payment Frequency</b>	<b>Effective Date (14)</b>	<b>Optional Termination Date</b>	<b>Maturity Date</b>	<b>Value</b>
Morgan Stanley Capital Services, LLC	\$ 521,000,000	Receive	1-Month LIBOR	1.994%	Monthly	6/01/18	7/01/25	7/01/27	\$ 30,221,43

**Fair Value Measurements**

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received upon selling an investment or transferring a liability in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market for the investment. A three-tier hierarchy is used to maximize the use of observable market data and minimize the use of unobservable inputs to establish classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Observable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or the liability. Observable inputs are based on market data obtained from sources

independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or the liability. Unobservable inputs are based on the best information available in the circumstances. The following is a summary of the three-tiered hierarchy of valuation input levels.

- Level 1 Inputs are unadjusted and prices are determined using quoted prices in active markets for identical securities.
- Level 2 Prices are determined using other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, credit spreads, etc.).
- Level 3 Prices are determined using significant unobservable inputs (including management's assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

The inputs or methodologies used for valuing securities are not an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. The following is a summary of the Fund's fair value measurements as of the end of the reporting period:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
<b>Long-Term Investments:</b>				
\$1,000 Par (or similar) Institutional Preferred	\$	\$ 1,325,995,538	\$	\$ 1,325,995,539
Contingent Capital Securities		1,214,868,612		1,214,868,612
\$25 Par (or similar) Retail Preferred	219,887,574	61,376,610		281,264,184
Investment Companies	22,950,862			22,950,862
Corporate Bonds		20,840,976		20,840,976
Convertible Preferred Securities	16,154,273			16,154,273
<b>Short-Term Investments:</b>				
Repurchase Agreements		27,529,296		27,529,296
<b>Investments in Derivatives:</b>				
Interest Rate Swaps*		30,221,438		30,221,438
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 258,992,709</b>	<b>\$ 2,680,832,470</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$ 2,939,825,179</b>

\* Represents net unrealized appreciation (depreciation).

### 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 recognition of premium amortization, timing differences in the recognition of income on real estate investment trust ( REIT ) investments and timing differences in recognizing certain gains and losses on investment transactions. To the extent that differences arise that are permanent in nature, such amounts are reclassified within the capital accounts on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities presented in the annual report, based on their federal tax basis treatment; temporary differences do not require reclassification. Temporary and permanent differences do not impact the net asset value of the Fund.

The tables below present the cost and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of the Fund's investment portfolio, as determined on a federal income tax basis, as of October 31, 2018.

For purposes of this disclosure, derivative tax cost is generally the sum of any upfront fees or premiums exchanged and any amounts unrealized for income statement reporting but realized in income and/or capital gains for tax reporting. If a particular derivative category does not disclose any tax unrealized appreciation or depreciation, the change in value of those derivatives have generally been fully realized for tax purposes.



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Tax cost of investments	\$ 2,881,774,797
Gross unrealized:	
Appreciation	\$ 98,917,979
Depreciation	(71,089,035)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments	\$ 27,828,944
Tax cost of swaps	\$
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of swaps	30,221,438

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For Fund portfolio compliance purposes, the Fund's industry classifications refer to any one or more of the industry sub-classifications used by one or more widely recognized market indexes or ratings group indexes, and/or as defined by Fund management. This definition may not apply for purposes of this report, which may combine industry sub-classifications into sectors for reporting ease.

- (1) All percentages shown in the Portfolio of Investments are based on net assets applicable to common shares unless otherwise noted.
- (2) For financial reporting purposes, the ratings disclosed are the highest of Standard & Poor's Group ( Standard & Poor's ), Moody's Investors Service, Inc. ( Moody's ) or Fitch, Inc. ( Fitch ) rating. This treatment of split-rated securities may differ from that used for other purposes, such as for Fund investment policies. Ratings below BBB by Standard & Poor's, Baa by Moody's or BBB by Fitch are considered to be below investment grade. Holdings designated N/R are not rated by any of these national rating agencies.
- (3) Perpetual security. Maturity date is not applicable.
- (4) Investment, or portion of investment, has been pledged to collateralize the net payment obligations for investments in reverse repurchase agreements. As of the end of the reporting period, investments with a value of \$448,679,704 have been pledged as collateral for reverse repurchase agreements.
- (5) Variable rate security. The rate shown is the coupon as of the end of the reporting period.
- (6) Investment, or portion of investment, is hypothecated. The total value of investments hypothecated as of the end of the reporting period was \$743,971,284.
- (7) Contingent Capital Securities ( CoCos ) are hybrid securities with loss absorption characteristics built into the terms of the security for the benefit of the issuer. For example, the terms may specify an automatic write-down of principal or a mandatory conversion into the issuer's common stock under certain adverse circumstances, such as the issuer's capital ratio falling below a specified level.
- (8) For fair value measurement disclosure purposes, investment classified as Level 2.
- (9) A copy of the most recent financial statements for these investment companies can be obtained directly from the Securities and Exchange Commission on its website at <http://www.sec.gov>.

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- (10) The Fund may pledge up to 100% of its eligible investments (excluding any investments separately pledged as collateral for specific investments in derivatives, when applicable) in the Portfolio of Investments as collateral for borrowings. As of the end of the reporting period, investments with a value of \$1,995,507,171 have been pledged as collateral for borrowings.
  - (11) Borrowings as a percentage of Total Investments is 29.1%.
  - (12) Reverse Repurchase Agreements as a percentage of Total Investments is 6.9%.
  - (13) Other assets less liabilities includes the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of certain over-the-counter ( OTC ) derivatives as well as the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of OTC cleared and exchange-traded derivatives, when applicable.
  - (14) Effective date represents the date on which both the Fund and counterparty commence interest payment accruals on each contract.
- 144A Investment is exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. These investments may only be resold in transactions exempt from registration, which are normally those transactions with qualified institutional buyers.
- Reg S Regulation S allows U.S. companies to sell securities to persons or entities located outside of the United States without registering those securities with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Specifically, Regulation S provides a safe harbor from the registration requirements of the Securities Act for the offers and sales of securities by both foreign and domestic issuers that are made outside the United States.

LIBOR London Inter-Bank Offered Rate

**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 Preferred & Income Securities Fund

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Gifford R. Zimmerman

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Gifford R. Zimmerman  
Vice President and Secretary

Date: December 28, 2018

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/ Cedric H. Antosiewicz

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Cedric H. Antosiewicz  
Chief Administrative Officer (principal executive officer)

Date: December 28, 2018

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Stephen D. Foy

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Stephen D. Foy  
Vice President and Controller (principal financial officer)

Date: December 28, 2018