UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment)

NAME OF ISSUER	TJX Companies Inc.
TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES	Common
CUSIP NUMBER	872540109

The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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on behalf of it	self and:
*Marsh & McLenn ("MMC")	an Companies, Inc. 1166 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10036
Putnam Investme ("PIM")	nt Management, LLC. One Post Office Square Boston, Massachusetts 02109
The Putnam Advi ("PAC")	sory Company, LLC. One Post Office Square Boston, Massachusetts 02109
Item 2(c)	Citizenship: PI, PIM and PAC are limited liability companies organized under Delaware law. The citizenship of other persons identified in Item 2(a) is designated as follows:
	 Corporation - Delaware law Voluntary association known as Massachusetts business trust - Massachusetts law
Item 2(d)	Title of Class of Securities: Common
Item 2(e)	Cusip Number: 872540109
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Item 3. If this	statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b), check whether the person filing is a:
(a)()	Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act
(b)()	Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act
(c)()	Insurance Company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act
(d)()	Investment Company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act
(e)(X)	Investment Adviser registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940
(f)()	Employee Benefit Plan, Pension Fund which is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 or Endowment Fund; see (Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F)
(g)(X)	Parent Holding Company, in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(ii)(G)
(h)()	Group, in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(H)

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Item 4. Ownership.

			M&MC	PIM	*		PAC		PI
		(Parent company	holding to PI)	(Investment & subsidiar				t company and PAC)	
(a)	Amount Beneficially Owned:	NONE		38125406.5	+	9117976	=	47243382.5	
(b)	Percent of Class:		NONE	7.2	%	+	1.7%	=	8.9%
(c)	Number of shares as to which such person has:								
(1)	sole power to vote or to direct the vote; (but see Item 7)		NONE	NON	E		NONE		NONE
(2)	shared power to vote or to direct the vote; (but see Item 7) 3827691		NONE	NON	E		382769	1	

(3)	sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of; (but see Item 7)	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE
(4)	shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of; (but see Item 7)	NONE	ALL	ALL	ALL

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Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date thereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following ()

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five/Ten Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

No persons other than the persons filing this Schedule 13G have an economic interest in the securities reported on which relates to more than five percent of the class of securities. Securities reported on this Schedule 13G as being beneficially owned by M&MC and PI consist of securities beneficially owned by subsidiaries of PI which are registered investment advisers, which in turn include securities beneficially owned by clients of such investment advisers, which clients may include investment companies registered under the Investment Company Act and/or employee benefit plans, pension funds, endowment funds or other institutional clients.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company

PI, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of M&MC, wholly owns two registered investment advisers: Putnam Investment Management, LLC., which is the investment adviser to the Putnam family of mutual funds and The Putnam Advisory Company, LLC., which is the investment adviser to Putnam's institutional clients. Both subsidiaries have dispository power over the shares as investment managers, but each of the mutual fund's trustees have voting power over the shares held by each fund, and The Putnam Advisory Company, LLC. has shared voting power over the shares held by the institutional clients. Pursuant to Rule 13d-4, M&MC and PI declare that the filing of this Schedule 13G shall not be deemed an admission by either or both of them that they are, for the purposes of Section 13(d) or 13(g) the beneficial owner of any securities covered by this Section 13G, and further state that neither of them have any power to vote or dispose of, or direct the voting or disposition of, any of the securities covered by this Schedule 13G.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group: Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification.

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By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business, were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, ${\tt I}$ certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

PUTNAM, LLC.

/s/Andrew J. Hachey BY: -----

Signature

Name/Title: Andrew J. Hachey Vice President and Counsel

Date: February 5, 2003

For this and all future filings, reference is made to Power of Attorney dated April 29, 1999, with respect to duly authorized signatures on behalf of Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc., Putnam Investments, LLC., Putnam Investment

 ${\tt Management,\ LLC.}$, The Putnam Advisory Company, LLC. and any Putnam Fund wherever applicable.

For this and all future filings, reference is made to an Agreement dated June 28, 1990, with respect to one filing of Schedule 13G on behalf of said entities, pursuant to Rule 13d-1(f)(1).

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