

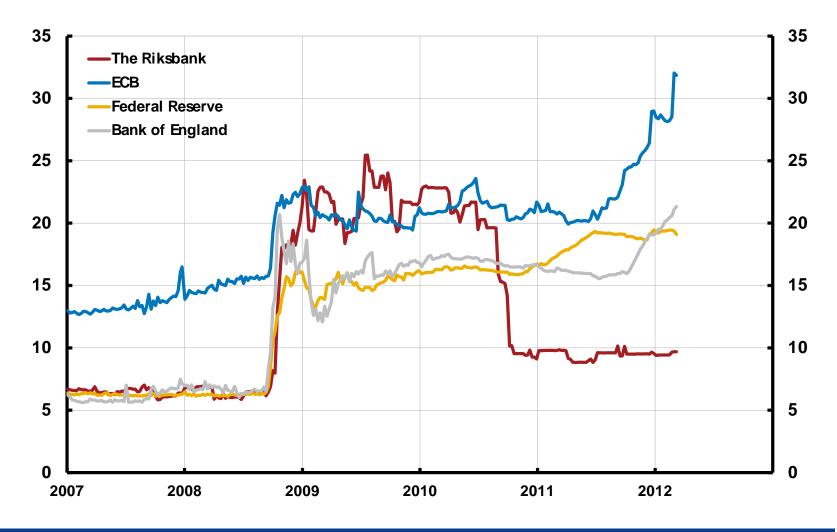
Non-standard measures and monetary policy: what have we learned from recent experience?

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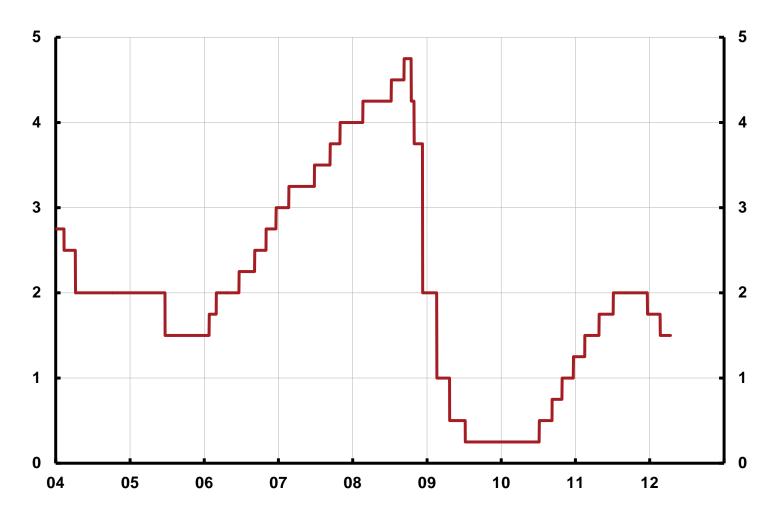
Central banks' balance sheets total Per cent of GDP



Sources: Bureau of Economic Analysis, Eurostat, Office for National Statistics, Statistics Sweden and the respective central banks

Repo rate

Per cent





Source: The Riksbank

Unconventional measure to complement monetary policy stance



- One-year fixed-interest rate loan
- Loan volume SEK 100 billion
- Offered through auction, bids on both volume and interest rate
- Fixed-rate not set by the Riksbank, but stipulated minimum bid rate at 0,40 per cent
- Loan offered 3 times between July and October 2009

Effects through several transmission channels



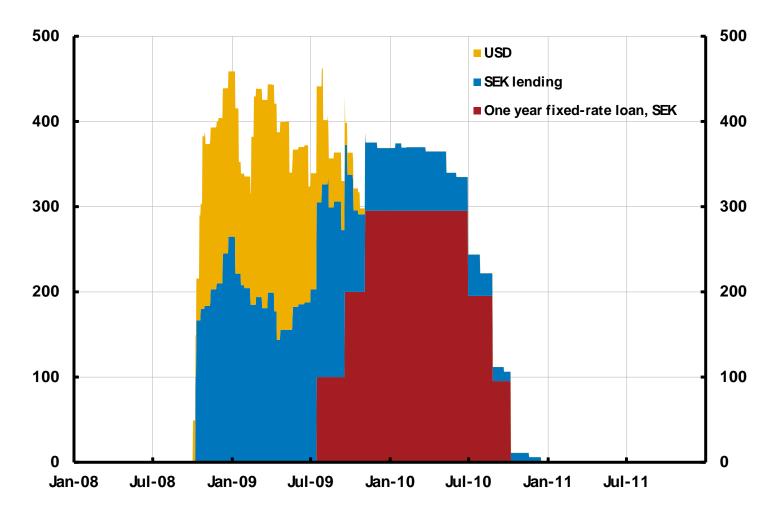
Example:

- Making financing less expensive, risk reduction
- Reducing pressure on bond and certificates markets
- Arbitrage opportunities
- Liquidity buffer: guaranteed excess supply of liquidity to remain a long time

Extraordinary measures – loans in SEK and USD

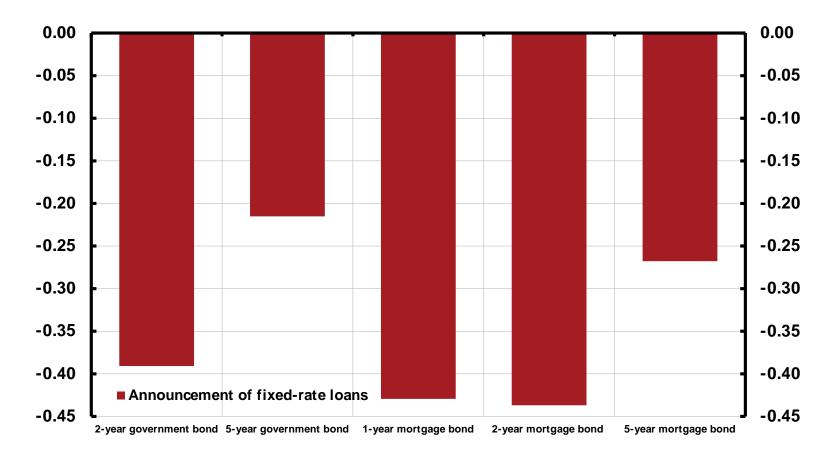


SEK, billions





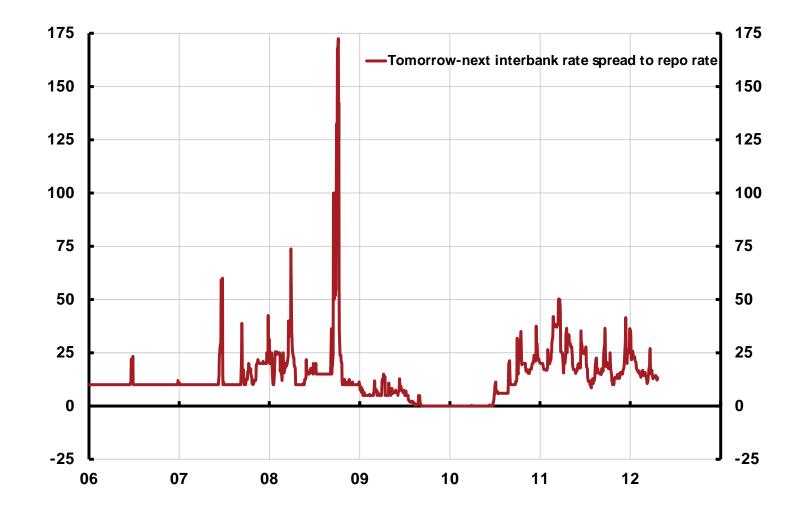
Total drop in government and covered mortgage bond yields on announcement of the Riksbank's three fixed-rate loans Percentage points



Note: Government bond rates are zero-coupon with constant maturity, calculated from interpolated yield curves. Covered mortgage bond yields are based on quotes for Stadshypotek's covered mortgage bonds.



Spread between Stockholm tomorrow-next interbank lending rate and the Riksbank's policy rate Basis points





Lessons

- The importance of being prepared
 - New tool in the Riksbank's toolbox; preparation for quantitative measures
- Exit from measures without turbulence difficult
- Banks must be OK