International Effects of QE Policies

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Outline

• Questions addressed:
  • How have QE policies affected financial variables globally?
  • Are advanced economies or emerging economies affected more?
  • Are (international) effects of QE diminishing over time?
  • Whose QE matters most (Fed, ECB, BOJ)?
  • What are implications for exit from QE?

• Brief literature survey
• Event study analysis
• Principal component analysis
• Conclusions

Source: DB Global Markets Research
Previous empirical findings


- Found: QE has significant negative effect on bond yields across countries and on currencies (trade-weighted dollar depreciation).

- Not much granularity on AEs vs EMs, but EM’s especially sensitive to Fed’s QE1, much less so to QE2: impact of QEs declining over time.

- Based primarily on event study analysis, focusing on QE1, QE2, Twist, forward guidance (Pre QE3).

*Source: DB Global Markets Research*
Breaking some new ground

- Event studies of QE3 and forward guidance since QE3, with focus across countries on Advanced Economies and Emerging Economies
  - Consider behavior of key variables around Q3-related communications.

- Principal components analysis, with focus across international asset classes and across QEs
  - Assess behavior of co-movement of global financial variables during QE periods

Source: DB Global Markets Research
Event Study: Impact of QE3 Announcement Sept 13 2012

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* Denotes change in expected direction but not in top 15% of daily changes during 2005-2012
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Source: Haver Analytics, DB Global Markets Research
Reaction of stock markets to QE3 announcement

*Base is value at close on September 13; underlying market trend is subtracted from deviation.

Source: Haver Analytics, DB Global Markets Research
Reaction of exchange rates to QE3 announcement

% deviation from base

- Broad trade weighted index
- Trade weighted index for developed markets
- Trade weighted index for emerging markets

Sep 13, 2012

Days since announcement

% deviation from base

*Base is noon value on September 13; underlying market trend is subtracted from deviation.

Source: Haver Analytics, DB Global Markets Research
## Event Study: Impact of December FOMC minutes

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Reaction of exchange rates to December minutes

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Event Study Analysis: Summary of findings

• QE3 announcement effects:
  • Not much effect on foreign bond yields (anticipated earlier?)
  • Significant positive effect on stock markets globally, especially EMs;
  • Negative effect on dollar vs. most currencies
  • Negative spillover to EM via currency appreciation at least partly offset by positive spillover via stocks

• Guidance on costs/limits of QE3 (December minutes):
  • Positive effect on bond yields of AEs
  • Transitory negative impact on stock markets globally
  • Positive effect on dollar vs. most currencies, especially AEs

Source: DB Global Markets Research
Principal components analysis

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Analysis considered average daily variation over three-month windows

Source: Haver Analytics, Bloomberg Financial LP, DB Global Markets Research
Share of variation in global financial variables explained by first principal component
Percentage of variation explained by first component declines with subsequent QEs

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Source: DB Global Markets Research
Correlation of first principal component with asset returns

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Source: Haver Analytics, Bloomberg Financial LP, DB Global Markets Research
Fed QE has dominated QEs of other central banks in influencing global financial variables

Correlation of variance explained by first principal component with change in central bank assets (2009-13)

Source: DB Global Markets Research
Principal components analysis: Summary of findings

- The correlation of returns across asset classes globally has risen during periods of Fed balance sheet expansion, declined during periods of balance sheet stability.
- This rise in risk-on, risk-off co-movements in global financial markets has been on top of a general rise in correlations since the financial crisis.
- These correlations have diminished slightly with successive QEs.
- EM and commodity market correlations with the common factor have diminished more noticeably with successive QEs, confirming and extending earlier findings that EM sensitivity to QE has declined over time.
- Fed’s QE has been much more important than those of other major central banks in influencing correlations among global financial variables.

Source: DB Global Markets Research
Conclusions

What are the effects of QE on financial variables in other countries?

- In order of importance: (1) positive for stock markets globally, (2) dollar depreciation against most currencies, (3) reduces government bond yields, though less so globally than found in earlier studies.

Are advanced economies or emerging economies affected more?

- EMs have been more sensitive than AEs, but may not be so on exit

Are (international) effects of QE diminishing over time?

- Yes for EMs, not so for US and AEs

Whose QE matters most (Fed, ECB, BOJ)?

- Fed’s QEs have been dominant

What are implications for exit from QE?

- Ending QE desirable to return markets to more normal functioning---returns driven by asset specific fundamentals, not cross correlations
- But, abrupt or rapid exit, especially in balance sheet contraction, could be costly for ROW, given extent to which returns in EM and other credit markets may have been driven beyond fundamentals.

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