

How Central Banks Should Use Their Balance Sheets to Control Flight-to-Safety

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My focus: panics in the wholesale banking sector

- ▶ Beyond the coverage of financial regulations and supervision
 - Wholesale banks: fin. intermediaries operate outside of the regular banking system (BIS and Financial Stability Board: e.g., money market funds, hedge funds)
 - Held \$63 trillion in 2020, representing 79% of global GDP (S&P Global)
- ▶ Have driven several flight-to-safety events in the last decades
 - September 2008: \$400B withdrawal (2% of U.S. GDP); March 2020: \$100B withdrawal

This Paper

Implications of wholesale banking panics for *central bank balance sheet policies*

Key finding: Balance sheet expansions *mitigate panics but reduce asset returns/welfare*

- ▶ Expansions through open market operations involve purchasing Treasury bills
 - Lower T-bill returns → reduce investors' incentive to seek refuge in them
 - Decreased returns hinder transactions involving T-bills, like repo transactions
 - General asset returns/welfare reduction through *endogenous shifts in asset demand*
 - Mitigating flight-to-safety → increased demand for bank liabilities, bidding down returns

Endogenous shifts in asset demand can lead to unintended policy implications!

Model

Three-period Two-Sector Banking Model

- ▶ Three sets of private agents: convert labor (h) to goods (c) one-for-one

1. Measure one of **depositors**:

$$\underbrace{-h_1}_{\text{work and deposit}} \quad \underbrace{+u(c_2)}_{\text{consume}} \quad \underbrace{-h_3}_{\text{work to pay taxes}} \quad \text{where } -c \frac{u''(c)}{u'(c)} < 1 \text{ and } u(0) = 0$$

2. Measure one of **producers**:

$$\underbrace{-h_2}_{\text{work to produce goods for depositors}} \quad + \quad \underbrace{c_3}_{\text{consume returns}}$$

3. Infinite measure of **bankers** self-select to operate **retail** or **wholesale** banks:

$$c_1^B - h_1^B + c_3^B - h_3^B$$

work in $t = 1$ to raise (sweat) equity and in $t = 3$ to pay debts; consume profits

- ▶ Government: fiscal authority and central bank [▶ details](#)

Trading Frictions Give Rise to Demand for Assets

- ▶ Exchanges are essential because goods are perishable
 - Depositors trade **bilaterally** with producers in period 2, making **take-it-or-leave-it** offer
- ▶ **Limited commitment** → no unsecured IOU → exchanges are supported by assets
 - Depositors and banks trade goods and assets in a **Walrasian market** in period 1

Underlying assets

- ▶ **Central bank reserves**: restricted to retail banks only (less liquid)
- ▶ **Government bonds**: everyone, including depositors, can hold them (liquid)

Banking & Risk of Wholesale Banking Failure

- ▶ Banks have access to a **collateral technology** to secure their liabilities
 - **Deposit claims**: A valid means of payment between depositors and producers
 - **Interbank loans**: Allow wholesale banks to hold reserves indirectly
- ▶ An *exogenous* fraction $1 - \delta$ of wholesale banks fail in period 2 (collapse in collateral tech.)
 - Failed banks default on their liabilities and abscond with assets

Risk of Banking Failure Sparks Wholesale Banking Panics (Gertler and Kiyotaki, 2015)

- ▶ Depositors make their withdrawal decision with imperfect information in period 1
- ▶ **Panicking depositors** choose to withdraw with an **endogenous** probability η
 - Also, the fraction of panicking depositors flee to bonds, capturing the severity of panics

Retail Bank

► retail bank's problem

1. Deposit contract: required deposits (k^r), deposit claims (d^r) (secured and tradeable IOUs)
2. Financial portfolio: reserves (m), government bonds (b^r), interbank borrowing (ℓ^r)

Subject to a **leverage constraint** ($0 < \theta < 1$) (collateral constraint holds automatically)

- A fraction θ of their return on assets should cover their payments on liabilities
- Finance $1 - \theta$ of their assets with bank capital (sweat equity) \rightarrow balance sheet cost

Asset	Liability & Equity
$r^m m$	d^r
$r^b b^r$	$r^\ell \ell^r$
	e ► equity

Wholesale Bank

▶ wholesale bank's problem

1. Deposit contract: k^w , quantity of bonds if withdrawal (b'), and d^w
 - ρ of depositors must trade with bonds (demand for bonds to support wholesale payments)
2. Financial portfolio: government bonds (b^w), interbank lending (ℓ^w)

Subject to a collateral constraint (no leverage requirement \rightarrow no bank capital)

Asset	Liability
$r^b b^w$	$r^b [\rho + (1 - \rho)\eta] b'$
$r^\ell \ell^w$	$(1 - \rho)(1 - \eta) d^w$

- ▶ Endogenous withdrawal probability η adjusts the composition bank liabilities

Will wholesale bank depositors withdraw their funds?

Wholesale bank depositors' ex ante expected utility

$$\underbrace{-k^w}_{\text{deposits}} + \underbrace{[\rho + (1 - \rho)\eta]u(r^b b') + (1 - \rho)(1 - \eta)\delta u(d^w)}_{\text{expected return on deposit contract}}$$

Withdraw: Get b' units of government bonds with gross interest rate of r^b

Not withdraw: Get a tradeable claim to d^r units of consumption goods with probability δ

- (i) No banking panic: $\eta = 0$, if $u(r^b b') \leq \delta u(d^w) + (1 - \delta)u(0)$;
- (ii) Partial banking panic: $0 < \eta < 1$, if $u(r^b b') = \delta u(d^w) + (1 - \delta)u(0)$;
- (iii) Full banking panic: $\eta = 1$, if $u(r^b b') \geq \delta u(d^w) + (1 - \delta)u(0)$.

Equilibrium

No Bank Holds Government Bonds as Collateral

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Lemma 1

Retail banks never hold government bonds

► intuition

- Wholesale banks value bonds more as they are not subject to leverage requirements

Lemma 2

Wholesale banks only purchase government bonds for their depositors' withdrawal requests

- Wholesale bank depositors directly use government bonds in exchange to avoid risk

Today: Partial Banking Panic Equilibrium ► equilibrium type

Only case that withdrawal probability ($0 < \eta < 1$) changes in response to policies
(constant η in full/partial panic)

Proposition 1

An expansion in the size of the central bank's balance sheet *mitigates wholesale banking panics*, i.e., $\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \bar{m}} < 0$. However, this expansion *reduces welfare*, i.e., $\frac{\partial c_2^b}{\partial \bar{m}} < 0$, $\frac{\partial c_2^r}{\partial \bar{m}} < 0$, and $\frac{\partial c_2^w}{\partial \bar{m}} < 0$. ► no/full panic

Mitigation of Wholesale Banking Panics

A central bank balance sheet expansion, through open market operations, has three effects

1. government bond supply \downarrow \longrightarrow interest rate on government bonds \downarrow (price \uparrow)
2. reserve supply \uparrow \longrightarrow relax banks' constraints \longrightarrow returns on deposits \uparrow
 - Directly relax retail banks' leverage constraint
 - Indirectly relax wholesale banks' collateral constraint through the interbank market

\longrightarrow 3. deposits become more attractive relative to bonds \longrightarrow withdrawal probability $\eta \downarrow$

Interaction of three effects determines the GE effects on asset returns and welfare

Reduction in Asset Returns & Welfare

Retail Bank		Wholesale Bank	
Asset	Liability & Equity	Asset	Liability
$r^m m$	d^r	$r^b \bar{b}^w \downarrow$	$r^b [\rho + (1 - \rho) \eta \downarrow] b'$
	$r^\ell \ell^r$	$r^\ell \ell^w$	$(1 - \rho)(1 - \eta) d^w$
	e		

An expansion in the size of the central bank's balance sheet ($\bar{m} \uparrow$ and $\bar{b} \downarrow$)

- **Harms depositors trade with government bonds:** lower r^b and c_2^b
 - **Decreased supply of government bonds** dominates **decreased demand for bonds**
 - Lower interest rate on government bonds ($\frac{\partial r^b}{\partial \bar{m}} < 0$)
 - Lower trading volume for transactions settled with government bonds ($\frac{\partial c_2^b}{\partial \bar{m}} < 0$)

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An expansion in the size of the central bank's balance sheet ($\bar{m} \uparrow$ and $\bar{b} \downarrow$)

- ▶ Harms depositors trade with government bonds: lower r^b and c_2^b
- ▶ **Harms depositors trade with wholesale deposits:** lower c_2^w , r^ℓ , and r^m
 - Increased demand for wholesale bank deposits dominates the increased supply
 - Lower trading volume for transactions settled with wholesale deposits ($\frac{\partial c_2^w}{\partial \bar{m}} < 0$)
 - Intensify banks' competition for collateral ($\frac{\partial r^\ell}{\partial \bar{m}} < 0$ and $\frac{\partial r^m}{\partial \bar{m}} < 0$)

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- ▶ Harms depositors trade with wholesale deposits: lower c_2^w , r^ℓ , and r^m
- ▶ **Harms depositors trade with retail deposits:** lower c_2^r
 - Retail banks substitute their funding source to cheaper interbank borrowing
 - **Reduce the supply of retail deposits** (no shift in demand for retail deposits)
 - Lower trading volume for transactions settled with retail deposits ($\frac{\partial c_2^r}{\partial \bar{m}} < 0$)

Conclusions

- ▶ Two-sector banking model with flight-to-safety driven by wholesale banking panics
- ▶ **Endogenous shifts of asset demand** in response to central bank crisis interventions
- ▶ Expanding the balance sheet mitigates banking panics but reduces welfare
 - Differ from scenarios when there is no shift in asset demands (no/full banking panic)

Extension: Swapping reserves for ON-RRPs **mitigates panics and improves welfare!**

- ▶ **Moderate shifts of asset demand:** swap of central bank liabilities does not take out government bonds, putting no direct pressure on making bonds less attractive

Appendix

Fiscal Authority & Central Bank ▶ back

- ▶ **Fiscal authority** issues government bonds (\hat{b}) and transfer revenue (τ_1) to depositors:

$$\hat{b} = \tau_1$$

- ▶ **Central bank** purchases $\hat{b} - \bar{b}$ with reserves \bar{m} : ▶ central bank balance sheet

$$\bar{m} = \hat{b} - \bar{b}$$

- ▶ Government liabilities are redeemed in period 3
 - **Fiscal authority** taxes depositors τ_3 , pays off debt, transfers τ^{cb} to **central bank**:

$$r^b \hat{b} + \tau^{cb} = \tau_3$$

- **Central bank** pays off its debt:

$$r^m \bar{m} = r^b (\hat{b} - \bar{b}) + \tau^{cb}$$

Fiscal policy: determine the total government bonds supply $\hat{b} = \bar{m} + \bar{b}$ (exogenous, fixed)

Monetary policy: determine the size of the central bank's balance sheet, described by \bar{m}

Central Bank's Balance Sheet

Baseline case

Asset	Liability
$\hat{b} - \bar{b}$	\bar{m}

- ▶ Central bank purchases $\hat{b} - \bar{b}$ to back its reserves \bar{m}

After introducing ON-RRPs

Asset	Liability
$\hat{b} - \bar{b}$	\bar{m}
	\bar{o}

- ▶ Central bank purchases $\hat{b} - \bar{b}$ to back reserves \bar{m} and ON-RRPs \bar{o}

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▶ back ON-RRPs

Perfectly Competitive Retail Banking [▶ back](#)

- ▶ Maximize depositors' utility (infinite mass of potential entrants & free entry):

$$-k^r + u(d^r)$$

Subject to

- ▶ Nonnegative profit:

profits from deposit contract

$$\overbrace{k^r - d^r} \underbrace{-m - b^r + \ell^r + r^m m + r^b b^r - r^\ell \ell^r}_{\text{profits from portfolio decision}} \geq 0$$

- ▶ Leverage constraint:

returns on assets

$$\theta \overbrace{(r^m m + r^b b^r)} \geq \underbrace{d^r + r^\ell \ell^r}_{\text{payments on liabilities}}$$

- ▶ Nonnegative constraints: $k^r, d^r, m, b^r \geq 0$

"Sweat Equity" [▶ back](#)

Retail banks finance part of their assets by supplying their own capital

- ▶ Nonnegative profit constraint holds in equality due to free entry, implying

$$\underbrace{m + b^r - k^r - \ell^r}_{\text{equity raised at } t = 1} = \underbrace{r^m m + r^b - d^r - r^\ell \ell^r}_{\text{equity return at } t = 3} \equiv e$$

- **Leverage requirement** further implies a positive equity holdings ($e > 0$), recall

$$\overbrace{\theta (r^m m + r^b b^r)}^{\text{returns on assets}} \geq \underbrace{d^r + r^\ell \ell^r}_{\text{payments on liabilities}}$$

- ▶ "Sweat equity" requires banks to work \longrightarrow costly internal funding source

Perfectly Competitive Wholesale Banking [▶ back](#)

- ▶ Maximize depositors' expected utility, **considering potential banking panic η**
(infinite mass of potential entrants & free entry)

$$\underbrace{-k^w}_{\text{deposits}} + \underbrace{[\rho + (1 - \rho)\eta]u(r^b b') + (1 - \rho)(1 - \eta)\delta u(d^w)}_{\text{expected return on deposit contract}}$$

Subject to

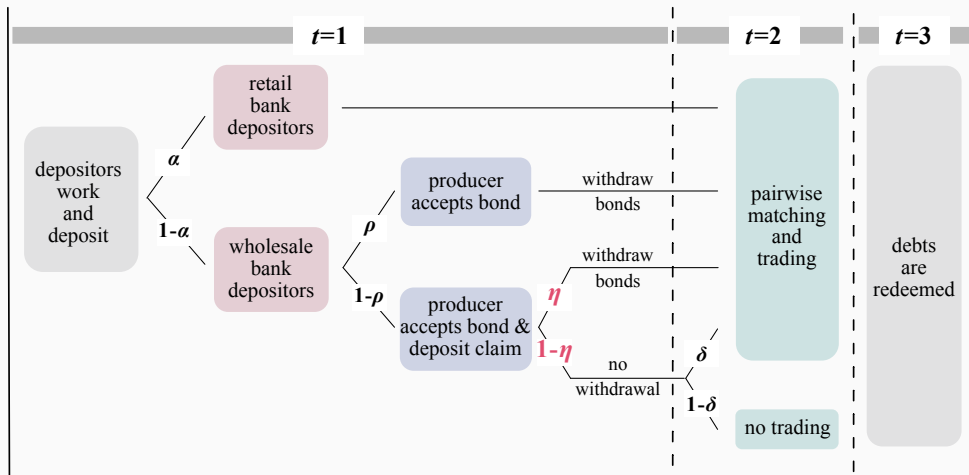
- ▶ Nonnegative profits:

$$\underbrace{k^w - (1 - \rho)(1 - \eta)\delta d^w}_{\text{profits from deposit contract}} - \underbrace{b^w - \ell^w + r^b [b^w - [\rho + (1 - \rho)\eta] b'] + r^\ell \ell^w}_{\text{profits from portfolio decision}} \geq 0$$

- ▶ Collateral constraint (holds for all wholesale banks ex-ante):

$$\underbrace{r^b [b^w - [\rho + (1 - \rho)\eta] b'] + r^\ell \ell^w}_{\text{returns on assets}} \geq \underbrace{(1 - \rho)(1 - \eta) d^w}_{\text{payments on liabilities}}$$

- ▶ Nonnegative constraints: $k^w, b', d^w, b^w, b^w - [\rho + (1 - \rho)\eta] b' \geq 0$



Retail Banks Never Invest in Government Bonds: Intuition

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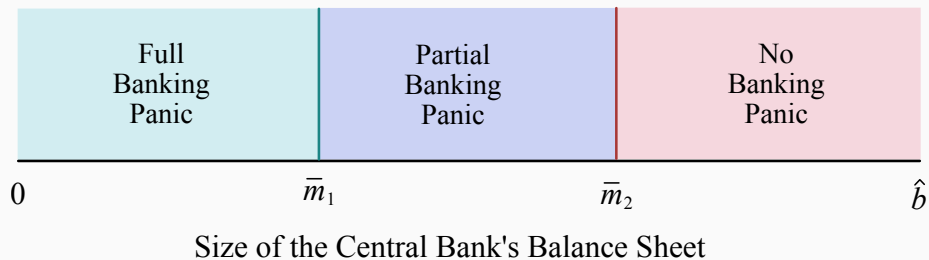
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- ▶ Retail banks invest in a positive stock of government bonds only if $r^b > r^\ell$
 - Strict inequality comes from their costs of holding assets due to leverage requirements
- ▶ Wholesale banks ask a higher return on loans than bonds, i.e., $r^\ell \geq r^b$
 - Government bonds provide a greater liquidity, which are always available to them
- ▶ Contradiction \longrightarrow retail banks never invest in bonds

How Monetary Policy Determines the Type of Equilibrium



- ▶ Two thresholds \bar{m}_1 and \bar{m}_2 characterize three types of equilibrium
- ▶ Expanding the size of the central bank's balance sheet mitigates banking panic
- ▶ These thresholds increase with the risk of wholesale banking failure $1 - \delta$

No Banking Panic ($\eta = 0$) & Full Banking Panic ($\eta = 1$)

	∂c_2^r	∂c_2^w	∂c_2^b	∂r^m	∂r^ℓ	∂r^b
$\partial \bar{m}$	+	+	-	+	+	-

Expanding the size of the central bank's balance sheet has only two effects

- ▶ **government bond supply** ↓: reduce transactions settled with government bonds
- ▶ **effective collateral supply** ↑: increase transactions settled with deposit claims

No change in **withdrawal behavior** given η constant (endogenously determined)

- ▶ Different effects compared to the baseline case
- ▶ Central bank cannot improve welfare (in Pareto sense) by adjusting its balance sheet size

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Scarcity of Total Government Bond Supply

Assumption 1

Total supply of government bonds is scarce, such that $\theta \hat{b} < \alpha c^$, where $u'(c^*) = 1$.*

- ▶ Retail bank's leverage and wholesale bank's collateral constraints bind
 - Otherwise, depositors consume a satiated level c^* and monetary policy becomes neutral
 - Low return on safe assets, particularly, government bonds

Characterization of Equilibrium

Express conditions on consumption allocation (c_2^r, c_2^b, c_2^w) and withdrawal probability η

$$c_2^r = d^r, \quad c_2^b = r^b b', \quad c_2^w = d^w$$

Depositors' consumption level reflects overall welfare

(competitive producers and bankers earn zero profit)

- ▶ No-arbitrage interbank market
- ▶ Collateral market clearing
- ▶ Bond market clearing
- ▶ One of depositors' incentive conditions to determine η
(no banking panic $\eta = 0$, partial banking panic $0 < \eta < 1$, and full banking panic $\eta = 1$)

Equilibrium Conditions

No-arbitrage Interbank Market:

$$\underbrace{u'(c_2^r)}_{\text{marginal return on retail bank's deposit claims}} = \underbrace{1 - \delta + \delta u'(c_2^w)}_{\text{marginal return on wholesale bank's deposit claims}}$$

- ▶ Equate depositors' marginal returns from trading with retail and wholesale deposits
 - ▶ intuition
- ▶ Marginal returns determine interest rates (consumption-based asset pricing)
 - e.g., $\frac{1}{r^\ell} = u'(c_2^r)$, marginal utility of trading retail deposits

Equilibrium Conditions

No-arbitrage Interbank Market:

$$u'(c_2^r) = 1 - \delta + \delta u'(c_2^w)$$

Collateral Market Clearing:

► ON-RRP

$$\underbrace{\theta \bar{m}}_{\text{effective collateral supply (i.e., reserves)}} = \underbrace{\alpha c_2^r [1 - \theta + \theta u'(c_2^r)]}_{\text{retail banks' demand for collateral}} + \underbrace{(1 - \alpha) (1 - \rho) (1 - \eta) c_2^w [1 - \theta \delta + \theta \delta u'(c_2^w)]}_{\text{wholesale banks' demand for collateral}}$$

- Expanding central bank balance sheet (\bar{m}) **increases the effective collateral supply**
- The severity of wholesale banking panics η determines the demand for collateral
 - By mitigating banking panics, policy shifts this demand **upward**

Equilibrium Conditions

No-arbitrage Interbank Market:

$$u'(c_2^r) = 1 - \delta + \delta u'(c_2^w)$$

Collateral Market Clearing:

$$\begin{aligned} \theta \bar{m} = & \alpha c_2^r [1 - \theta + \theta u'(c_2^r)] \\ & + (1 - \alpha) (1 - \rho) (1 - \eta) c_2^w [1 - \theta \delta + \theta \delta u'(c_2^w)] \end{aligned}$$

Bond Market Clearing

$$\underbrace{\hat{b} - \bar{m}}_{\text{bonds circulating in private sector, } \bar{b}} = \underbrace{(1 - \alpha) [\rho + (1 - \rho) \eta] c_2^b u'(c_2^b)}_{\text{wholesale bank depositors' demand for bonds}}$$

- ▶ Expanding central banks balance sheet **reduce the supply of government bonds**
- ▶ The severity of banking panics η determines the aggregate demand for bonds
 - By mitigating banking panics, policy shifts this demand **downward**

No-arbitrage Condition: Intuition

Retail Bank

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$r^m m$	d^r
	$r^\ell \ell^r$
	e

Wholesale Bank

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- ▶ On the liability side of the retail bank

return rate on retail deposits = return rate on interbank borrowing

- ▶ Wholesale banks use claims on interbank lending back deposit claims

return rate on interbank lending = return rate on wholesale deposits adjusted by risk

Expanding the Reach of Central Bank Liabilities to Wholesale Banks

Giving Wholesale Banks Direct Access to Central Bank Liabilities

Add a new central bank liability (\bar{o}) in addition to reserves (m)

- ▶ Both retail and wholesale banks can hold this interest-bearing central bank liability
 - Example: Fed's overnight reverse repo (ON-RRP) facility
- ▶ Monetary policy has two dimensions ▶ central bank balance sheet
 - Size of its balance sheet $s = \bar{m} + \bar{o}$
 - Composition of its liabilities (relative supply of reserves and ON-RRPs)

Goals: Show a swap of reserves (\bar{m}) for ON-RRPs (\bar{o})

- ▶ **Mitigates wholesale banking panics and improves welfare**
- ▶ Serve as a counterfactual for previous case as no change in government bond supply

Mitigation of Wholesale Banking Panics

Effective collateral supply (determined by \bar{o} for any s): ▶ collateral market clearing

$$\theta \times \overbrace{\bar{m}}^{\text{reserve supply}} + \underbrace{\bar{o}}_{\text{ON-RRP supply}} = \theta \times \overbrace{s}^{\text{balance sheet size}} + (1 - \theta) \bar{o}$$

- ▶ A swap **increases effective collateral supply** by avoiding retail banks' regulatory costs
- ▶ Wholesale banks provide more attractive deposits to compete for depositors:

Mitigating Wholesale Banking Panics (withdrawal probability $\eta \downarrow$)

Welfare Improvement ► details

Recall that central bank balance sheet expansions reduce welfare because

A large change in withdrawals $\eta \longrightarrow$ large shifts in asset demands

A swap of reserves for ON-RRPs improves welfare

Bond market clearing:

$$\underbrace{\hat{b} - s}_{\text{bonds circulating in private sector}} = \underbrace{(1 - \alpha)[\rho + (1 - \rho)\eta]c_2^b u'(c_2^b)}_{\text{wholesale bank depositors' demand for bonds to settle transactions}}$$

- A swap **does not take out government bonds** (only depends on the size s)
 - Put no direct force that makes bonds less attractive \longrightarrow **change in η is not too large**

Welfare Improvement

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	e	$r^o o$	

A swap of reserves for ON-RRPs benefits depositors trade with government bonds

- Decreased demand for government bonds (no shift in bond supply)
 - Higher interest rate on government bonds ($\frac{\partial r^b}{\partial \bar{m}} > 0$)
 - Higher trading volume for transactions settled with government bonds ($\frac{\partial c_2^b}{\partial \bar{m}} > 0$)

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	e	$r^o o \uparrow$	

A swap of reserves for ON-RRPs benefits depositors trade with wholesale deposits

► Increased supply of wholesale deposits dominates their increased demand

- $o \uparrow > \ell^w \downarrow$: avoiding the inefficiency comes from the leverage requirement
- Higher trading volume for transactions settled with these claims ($\frac{\partial c_2^w}{\partial \bar{o}} > 0$)
- Reduce banks' competition for collateral ($\frac{\partial r^\ell}{\partial \bar{o}} > 0$ and $\frac{\partial r^m}{\partial \bar{o}} > 0$)

Welfare Improvement [▶ back](#)

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A swap of reserves for ON-RRPs benefits depositors trade with retail depositors

- ▶ Retail banks substitute their funding source to cheaper deposits
- ▶ **Increased supply of retail banks' deposit claims** (no shift in demand for these claims)
 - Higher trading volume for transactions settled with these claims ($\frac{\partial c_2^r}{\partial \theta} > 0$)