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- alternative measures used in other countries:
- Expectations channel
  - The Federal Reserve has announced that it expects an exceptionally low federal funds rate for some time
- Large supply of central bank liquidity and quantitative easing
  - to underpin low interest rates and reduction in money market risk premiums
- Targeted purchases of private sector securities
  - to ease funding conditions for the private sector. The Federal Reserve refers to this as credit easing
- Purchases of longer-term government securities
  - to influence the expected return on longer-term securities more directly than through short-term interest rates and expectations

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