

Tanezzuft-Bechar/Abadla Structural/Stratigraphic Assessment Unit 20580601



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-  Grand Erg/Ahnet Basin Geologic Province 2058

USGS PROVINCE: Grand Erg/Ahnet Basin (2058)

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TOTAL PETROLEUM SYSTEM: Tanezzuft-Béchar/Abadla (205806)

ASSESSMENT UNIT: Tanezzuft-Béchar/Abadla Structural/Stratigraphic (20580601)

DESCRIPTION: This total petroleum system and corresponding assessment unit coincide with the Béchar and Abadla Basins. The Béchar and Abadla Basins are treated collectively. The Béchar/Abadla Basin is bounded on the north by the AntiAtlas Range, on the east by the Ensellement Zousfana (Zousfana Saddle)-Meharez Dome-Ensellement Beni Abbes (or Beni Abbes Saddle) structural axis, and on the south and west by the Ougarta Range.

SOURCE ROCKS: Potential source rocks are Silurian (laterally equivalent to the Tanezzuft Formation) and Middle to Upper Devonian mudstone.

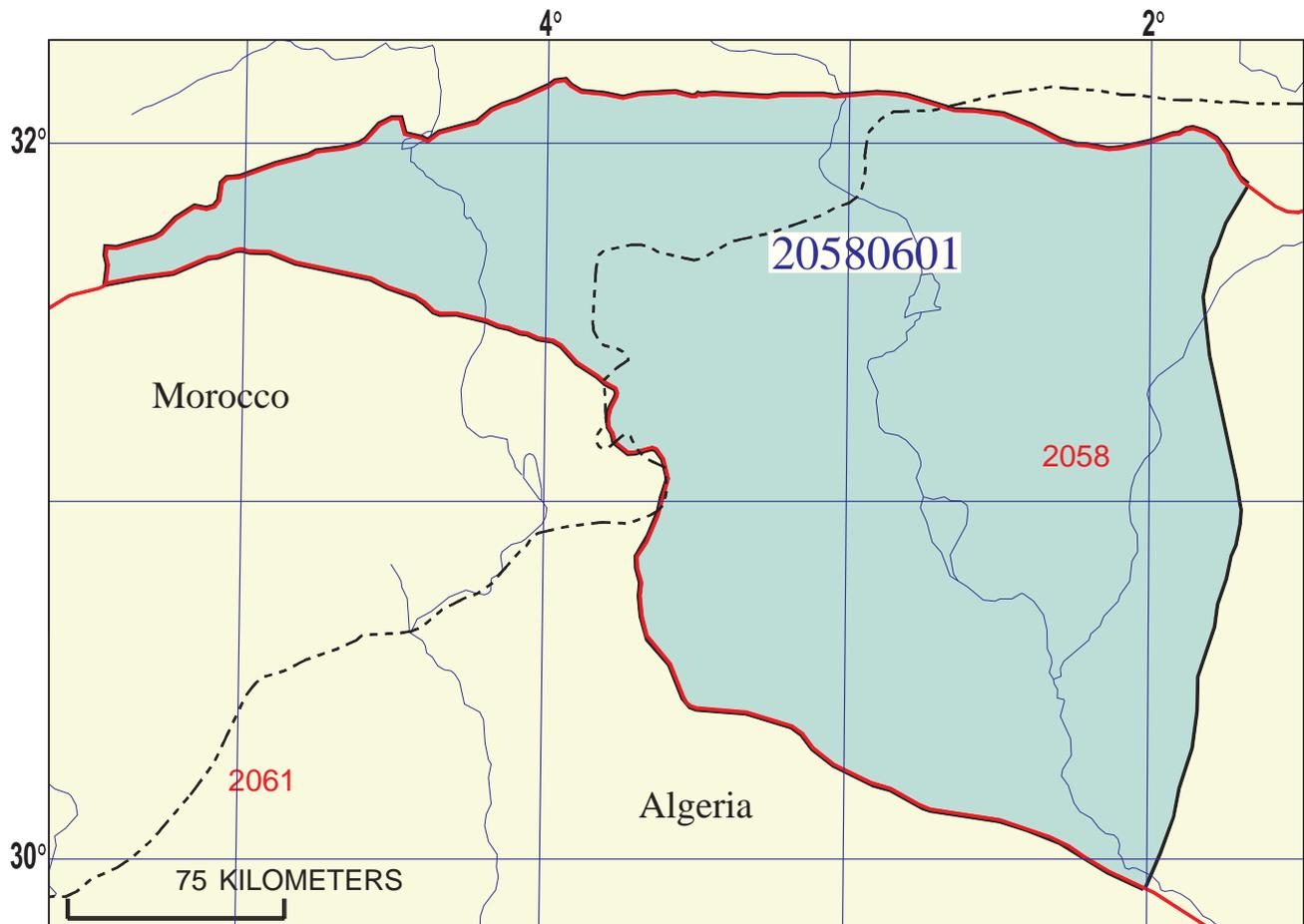
MATURATION AND MIGRATION: Petroleum generation may have occurred during the Carboniferous. Presently in the central part of the basin, potential source rocks are deeply buried (as much as 5,000 m).

RESERVOIR ROCKS: Potential reservoir rocks are Cambrian-Ordovician fluvial to marine sandstone and Devonian nearshore marine sandstone. Additionally, Wausortian-type bioherm mounds of Carboniferous (Visean) age may provide reservoir potential.

TRAPS/SEALS: Potential trap types include anticlines and faulted anticlines, some possibly having stratigraphic components. Intraformational Paleozoic marine mudstone is the most likely primary seal.

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EXPLANATION

- Hydrography
- Shoreline
- 2058 — Geologic province code and boundary
- - - Country boundary
- Gas field centerpoint
- Oil field centerpoint
- 20580601 — Assessment unit code and boundary

Projection: Robinson. Central meridian: 0

**SEVENTH APPROXIMATION
NEW MILLENNIUM WORLD PETROLEUM ASSESSMENT
DATA FORM FOR CONVENTIONAL ASSESSMENT UNITS**

Date:..... 12/4/98
 Assessment Geologist:..... T.R. Klett
 Region:..... Middle East and North Africa Number: 2
 Province:..... Grand Erg/Ahnet Basin Number: 2058
 Priority or Boutique:..... Priority
 Total Petroleum System:..... Tanezzuft-Bechar/Abadla Number: 205806
 Assessment Unit:..... Tanezzuft-Bechar/Abadla Structural/Stratigraphic Number: 20580601
 * Notes from Assessor Rebels

CHARACTERISTICS OF ASSESSMENT UNIT

Oil (<20,000 cfg/bo overall) **or** Gas (≥20,000 cfg/bo overall):... Gas

What is the minimum field size?..... 1 mmboe grown (≥1mmboe)
 (the smallest field that has potential to be added to reserves in the next 30 years)

Number of discovered fields exceeding minimum size:..... Oil: 0 Gas: 0
 Established (>13 fields) Frontier (1-13 fields) Hypothetical (no fields) X

Median size (grown) of discovered oil fields (mmboe):
 1st 3rd 2nd 3rd 3rd 3rd
 Median size (grown) of discovered gas fields (bcfg):
 1st 3rd 2nd 3rd 3rd 3rd

Assessment-Unit Probabilities:

Attribute	Probability of occurrence (0-1.0)
1. CHARGE: Adequate petroleum charge for an undiscovered field ≥ minimum size.....	1.0
2. ROCKS: Adequate reservoirs, traps, and seals for an undiscovered field ≥ minimum size.....	1.0
3. TIMING OF GEOLOGIC EVENTS: Favorable timing for an undiscovered field ≥ minimum size	0.4

Assessment-Unit GEOLOGIC Probability (Product of 1, 2, and 3):..... 0.4

4. **ACCESSIBILITY:** Adequate location to allow exploration for an undiscovered field
 ≥ minimum size..... 1.0

UNDISCOVERED FIELDS

Number of Undiscovered Fields: How many undiscovered fields exist that are ≥ minimum size?:
 (uncertainty of fixed but unknown values)

Oil fields:.....	min. no. (>0)	1	median no.	5	max no.	10
Gas fields:.....	min. no. (>0)	2	median no.	15	max no.	30

Size of Undiscovered Fields: What are the anticipated sizes (**grown**) of the above fields?:
 (variations in the sizes of undiscovered fields)

Oil in oil fields (mmbo).....	min. size	1	median size	5	max. size	100
Gas in gas fields (bcfg):.....	min. size	6	median size	30	max. size	1500

AVERAGE RATIOS FOR UNDISCOVERED FIELDS, TO ASSESS COPRODUCTS

(uncertainty of fixed but unknown values)

<u>Oil Fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
Gas/oil ratio (cfg/bo).....	<u>1875</u>	<u>3750</u>	<u>5625</u>
NGL/gas ratio (bnl/mmcf).....	<u>30</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>90</u>
<u>Gas fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
Liquids/gas ratio (bnl/mmcf).....	<u>24</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>72</u>
Oil/gas ratio (bo/mmcf).....	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

SELECTED ANCILLARY DATA FOR UNDISCOVERED FIELDS

(variations in the properties of undiscovered fields)

<u>Oil Fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
API gravity (degrees).....	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Sulfur content of oil (%).....	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Drilling Depth (m)	<u>2000</u>	<u>3500</u>	<u>5000</u>
Depth (m) of water (if applicable).....	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
<u>Gas Fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
Inert gas content (%).....	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
CO ₂ content (%).....	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Hydrogen-sulfide content (%).....	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Drilling Depth (m).....	<u>2000</u>	<u>3500</u>	<u>5000</u>
Depth (m) of water (if applicable).....	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

**ALLOCATION OF UNDISCOVERED RESOURCES IN THE ASSESSMENT UNIT
TO COUNTRIES OR OTHER LAND PARCELS** (uncertainty of fixed but unknown values)

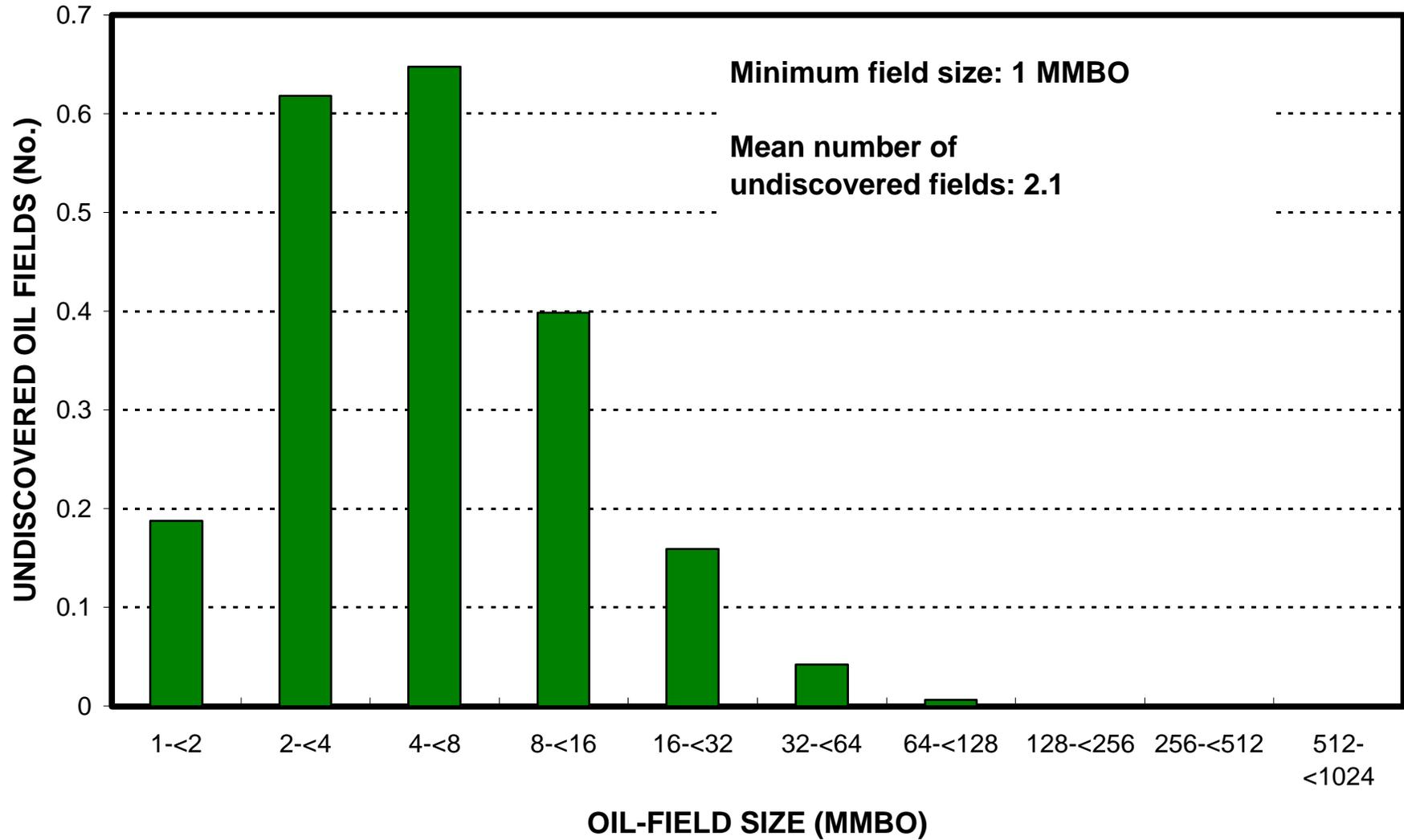
1. Algeria represents 76 areal % of the total assessment unit

<u>Oil in Oil Fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
Richness factor (unitless multiplier):.....	_____	_____	_____
Volume % in parcel (areal % x richness factor):...	_____	<u>76</u>	_____
Portion of volume % that is offshore (0-100%):.....	_____	<u>0</u>	_____
 <u>Gas in Gas Fields:</u>	 minimum	 median	 maximum
Richness factor (unitless multiplier):.....	_____	_____	_____
Volume % in parcel (areal % x richness factor):...	_____	<u>76</u>	_____
Portion of volume % that is offshore (0-100%):.....	_____	<u>0</u>	_____

2. Morocco represents 24 areal % of the total assessment unit

<u>Oil in Oil Fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
Richness factor (unitless multiplier):.....	_____	_____	_____
Volume % in parcel (areal % x richness factor):...	_____	<u>24</u>	_____
Portion of volume % that is offshore (0-100%):.....	_____	<u>0</u>	_____
 <u>Gas in Gas Fields:</u>	 minimum	 median	 maximum
Richness factor (unitless multiplier):.....	_____	_____	_____
Volume % in parcel (areal % x richness factor):...	_____	<u>24</u>	_____
Portion of volume % that is offshore (0-100%):.....	_____	<u>0</u>	_____

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Undiscovered Field-Size Distribution



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