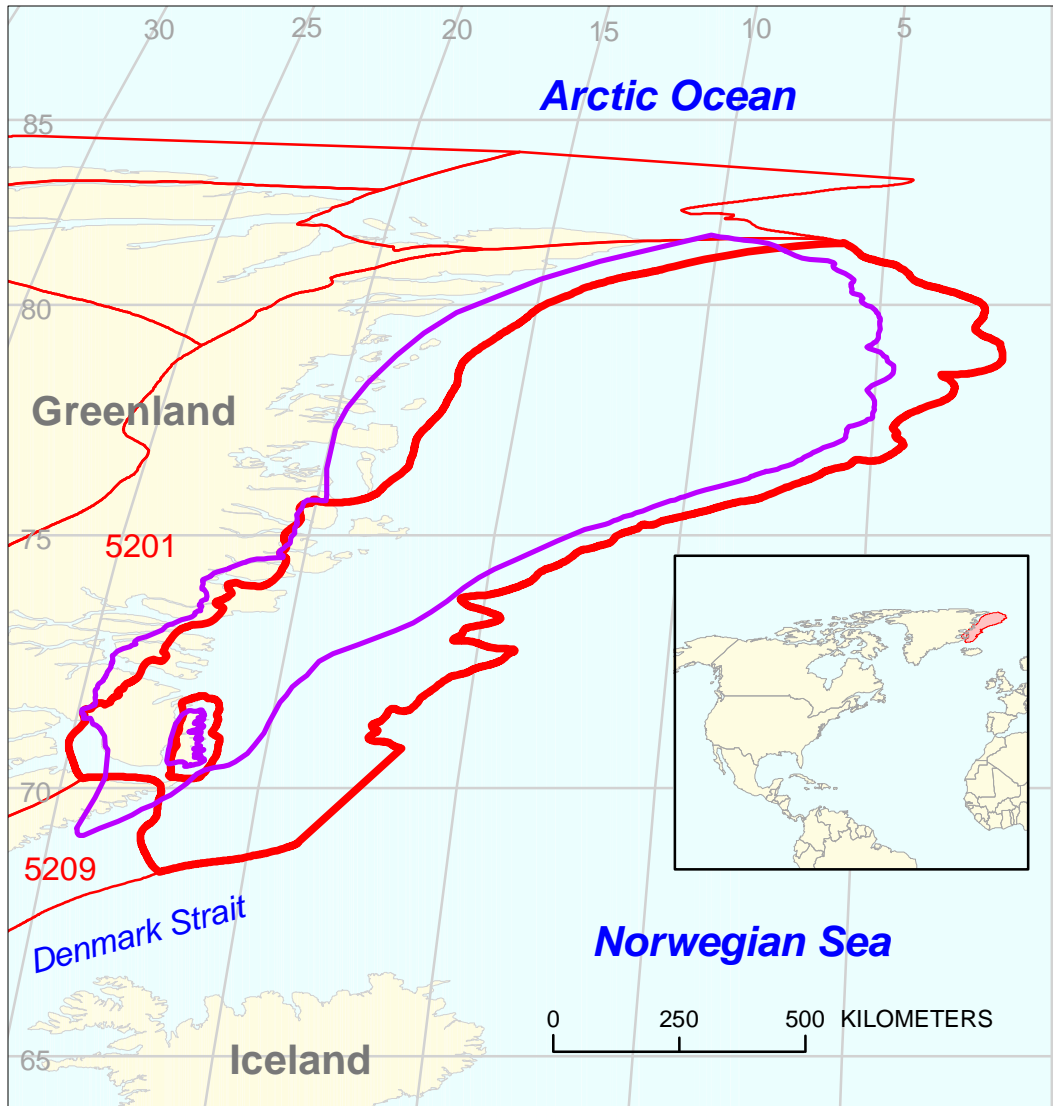





# Northeast Greenland Shelf Rift Systems Assessment Unit 52000101



-  Northeast Greenland Shelf Rift Systems Assessment Unit 52000101
-  East Greenland Rift Basins Geologic Province 5200
-  Other geologic province boundary

**USGS PROVINCES:** Northeast Greenland Rift Basins (5200) **GEOLOGIST:** M.E. Henry

**TOTAL PETROLEUM SYSTEM:** Permian/Upper Jurassic Composite (520001)

**ASSESSMENT UNIT:** Northeast Greenland Shelf Rift Systems (52000101)

**DESCRIPTION:** This assessment unit includes the continental margin off eastern and northeastern Greenland and is almost entirely offshore. The eastern boundary extends to the approximate position of the boundary between continental and oceanic crust, the northern boundary separates this province from the Wandell Sea Basin, the southern boundary is placed near lat. 70 N. and the western boundary is drawn to include the nearshore deep sub-basins on the shelf that have been interpreted from geophysical data.

**SOURCE ROCKS:** The principal source rock for this unit is expected, primarily by analogy with the Norwegian shelf and the Viking Graben of the North Sea, to be Late Jurassic shales of the Hareelv Formation. Other potential source rocks probably exist in the unit and include, in order of expected importance, the Upper Permian Ravenfjeld Formation, Upper Carboniferous lacustrine shales, the Lower Jurassic Kap Stewart Formation, and other Devonian and Triassic beds.

**MATURATION:** Little published data exists in the offshore area regarding thermal maturity of these likely sources. Considering the probable depths of the source rocks in the numerous sub-basins that exist on the shelf, which are as deep as 10 km, thermal maturity for petroleum generation must have been reached at least locally in these depressions.

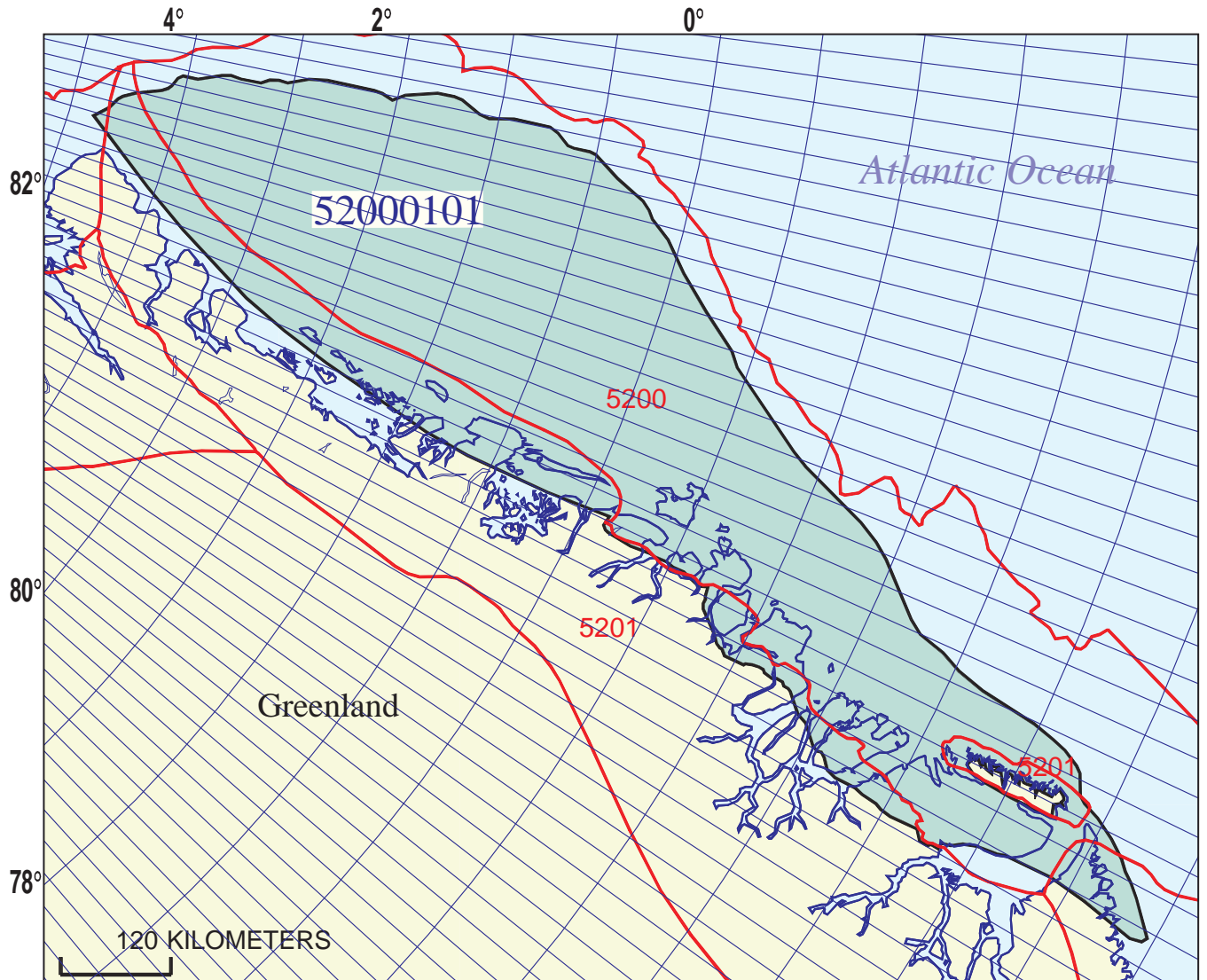
**MIGRATION:** Because of the nature of structural deformation in this unit lateral migration may be rather limited but vertical migration could have been important.

**RESERVOIR ROCKS:** Principal reservoir rocks are expected to be sandstones of the Middle Jurassic Vardekløft and Olympen Formations. Other important reservoir units include carbonate build-ups in the Upper Permian and sands of the Lower Jurassic Kap Stewart and Neill Klintner Formations.

**TRAPS AND SEALS:** The system of fault blocks, rotated generally landward, lead to the expectation that major traps are likely to be found in the uplifted side of the blocks and that faulting will be important in trap formation. Overlying shales will form top seals for many traps.

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### EXPLANATION

- Hydrography
- Shoreline
- 5200 — Geologic province code and boundary
- Country boundary
- Gas field centerpoint
- Oil field centerpoint
- 52000101 — Assessment unit code and boundary

Projection: Lambert. Standard parallels: 49 and 77. Central meridian: -92

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

Date:..... 12/13/99  
 Assessment Geologist:..... M.E. Henry  
 Region:..... North America Number: 5  
 Province:..... East Greenland Rift Basins Number: 5200  
 Priority or Boutique:..... Boutique  
 Total Petroleum System:..... Permian/Upper Jurassic Composite Number: 520001  
 Assessment Unit:..... Northeast Greenland Shelf Rift Systems Number: 52000101  
 \* Notes from Assessor  
 Analog to Viking Graben (40250101), and Haltenbanken (40170101), and  
 the presence of four exhumed fields. All four exhumed fields contain highly  
 altered bitumen.

**CHARACTERISTICS OF ASSESSMENT UNIT**

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

What is the minimum field size?..... 20 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. <b>CHARGE:</b> Adequate petroleum charge for an undiscovered field ≥ minimum size.....	<u>1.0</u>
2. <b>ROCKS:</b> Adequate reservoirs, traps, and seals for an undiscovered field ≥ minimum size.....	<u>1.0</u>
3. <b>TIMING OF GEOLOGIC EVENTS:</b> Favorable timing for an undiscovered field ≥ minimum size	<u>1.0</u>

**Assessment-Unit GEOLOGIC Probability** (Product of 1, 2, and 3):..... 1.0

4. **ACCESSIBILITY:** Adequate location to allow exploration for an undiscovered field  
 ≥ minimum size..... 0.7

**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. 250 max no. 500  
 Gas fields:.....min. no. (>0) 1 median no. 50 max no. 100

**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 20 median size 85 max. size 12000  
 Gas in gas fields (bcfg):.....min. size 120 median size 500 max. size 20000

**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).....	500	1000	1500
NGL/gas ratio (bngl/mmcf).....	30	60	90
<u>Gas fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
Liquids/gas ratio (bngl/mmcf).....	20	40	60
Oil/gas ratio (bo/mmcf).....			

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**SELECTED ANCILLARY DATA FOR UNDISCOVERED FIELDS**  
 (variations in the properties of undiscovered fields)

<u>Oil Fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
API gravity (degrees).....	15	40	55
Sulfur content of oil (%).....	0.3	0.8	1.5
Drilling Depth (m) .....	2000	3500	5000
Depth (m) of water (if applicable).....	0	350	1000
<u>Gas Fields:</u>	minimum	median	maximum
Inert gas content (%).....			
CO <sub>2</sub> content (%).....			
Hydrogen-sulfide content (%).....			
Drilling Depth (m).....	2000	3500	5000
Depth (m) of water (if applicable).....	0	350	1000

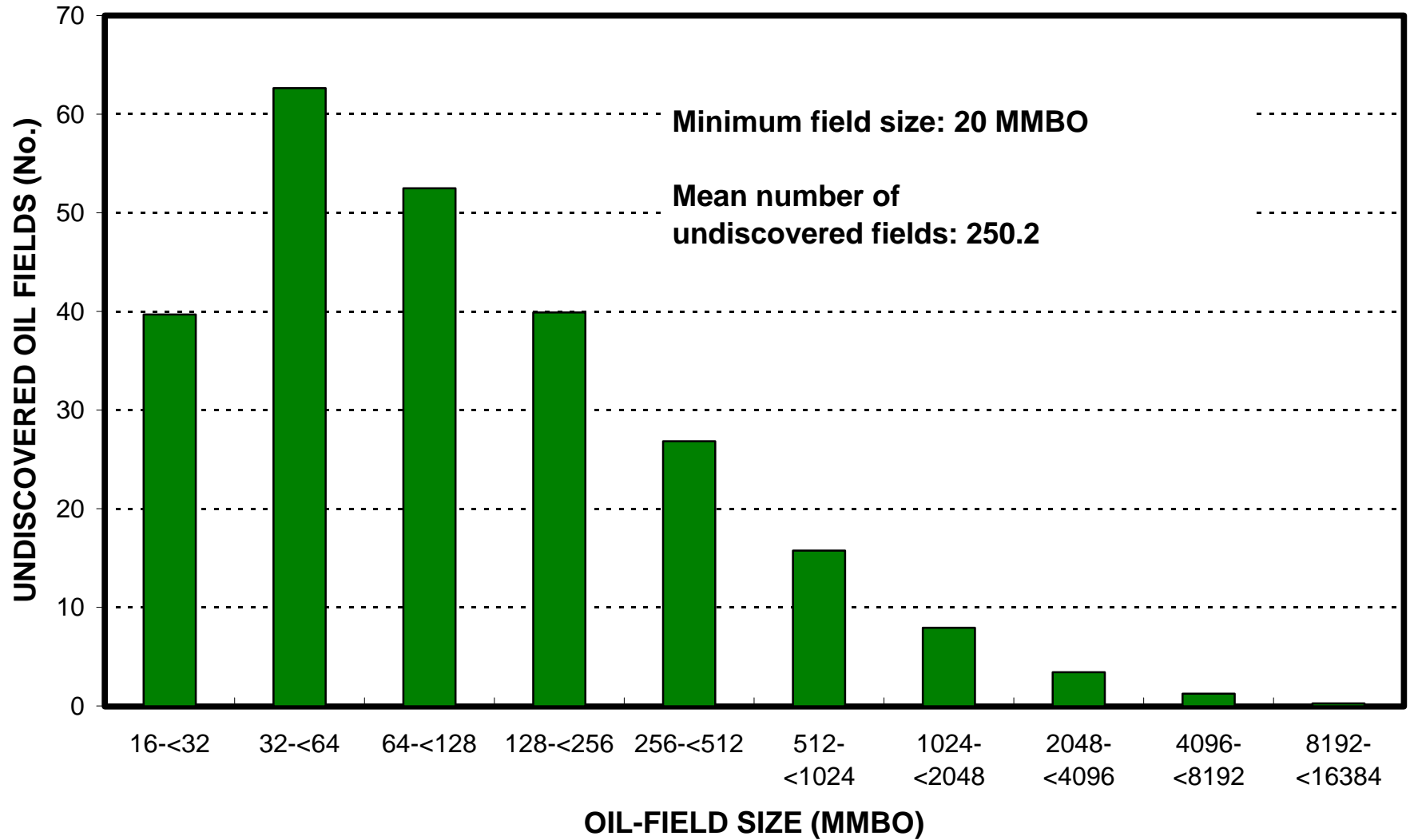
**ALLOCATION OF UNDISCOVERED RESOURCES IN THE ASSESSMENT UNIT  
 TO COUNTRIES OR OTHER LAND PARCELS** (uncertainty of fixed but unknown values)

1. Greenland represents 100 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):...	_____	100	_____
Portion of volume % that is offshore (0-100%):.....	_____	98	_____
 <u>Gas in Gas Fields:</u>	 minimum	 median	 maximum
Richness factor (unitless multiplier):.....	_____	_____	_____
Volume % in parcel (areal % x richness factor):...	_____	100	_____
Portion of volume % that is offshore (0-100%):.....	_____	98	_____

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## Undiscovered Field-Size Distribution



# Northeast Greenland Shelf Rift Systems, AU 52000101

## Undiscovered Field-Size Distribution

