

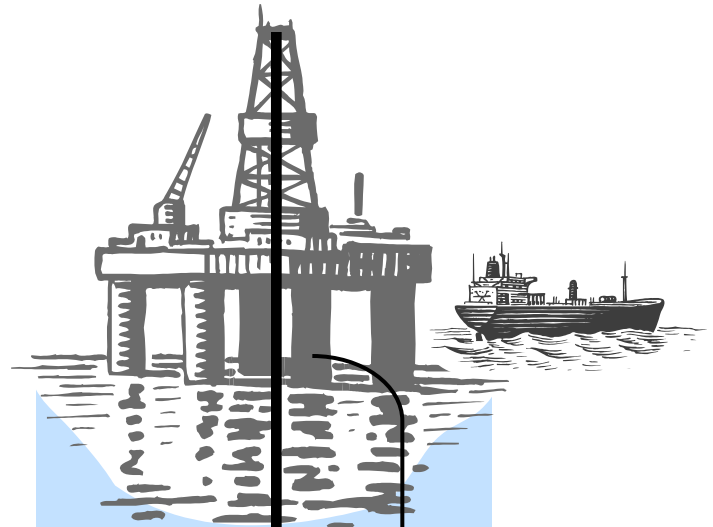
# Offshore Oil Drilling

In the beginning of the petroleum industry, oil wells were drilled on land. Now oil is found underground and underwater. Offshore drilling rigs pose many obstacles.

These rigs must be able to support the crew that works there, which means the rig must have sleeping facilities and a cafeteria. There is limited space on an offshore drilling rig, so all facilities must be space-efficient.

Because they are over water, offshore rigs have a higher risk of creating an oil spill.

Offshore drilling rigs also have longer drillstrings than conventional drilling rigs. This means that the oil is farther away from the rig and that more equipment is needed to reach the reservoir of oil.



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