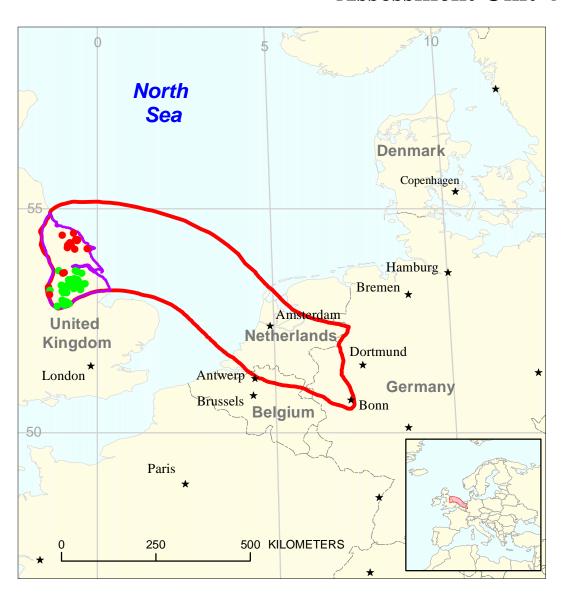
# Southern Permian Basin-U.K. Onshore Assessment Unit 40360101



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Anglo-Dutch Basin Geologic Province 4036

USGS PROVINCE: Anglo-Dutch Basin (4036) GEOLOGIST: D.L. Gautier

**TOTAL PETROLEUM SYSTEM:** Carboniferous-Rotliegend (403601)

**ASSESSMENT UNIT:** Southern Permian Basin-UK Onshore (40360101)

**DESCRIPTION:** The total petroleum system and corresponding assessment unit coincide with the extent of thermally mature Carboniferous source rocks and related gas and oil accumulations in the onshore area of the southern Permian basin in the East Midlands of England.

SOURCE ROCKS: Source rocks include calcareous marine shales of Dinantian age, and deltaic shales, carbonaceous shales, and coals, mainly of Namurian and Westphalian (Carboniferous) age. Organic matter in these diverse source rocks ranges from small volumes of hydrogen-rich Type II kerogen related to marine deposition, to carbonaceous shales and coals of the deltaic sequences, which were deposited in the foreland north of the Variscan orogenic belt. The coals and carbonaceous shales constitute two distinct source rock components, with the coals containing approximately 60 percent TOC and Type III kerogen, whereas the carbonaceous shale have approximately 1 percent TOC and mixed Type II and Type III kerogen. Marine shales range from less than 1 to several percent TOC, mostly in Type II kerogen. Oil accumulations are directly related to the presence of pro-delta marine shales with Type II kerogen.

**MATURATION:** Source rocks became mature for oil and other liquids as early as the late Carboniferous in some areas. Distribution of fields in this well explored province depends critically on the burial depth of good quality Type II organic matter.

**MIGRATION:** Correlation of depth to thermal maturity of organic matter suggests relatively short distances of migration for preserved accumulations. Migration pathways are mainly along porous and permeable sandstones, as well as along fractures in fine-grained sedimentary rocks.

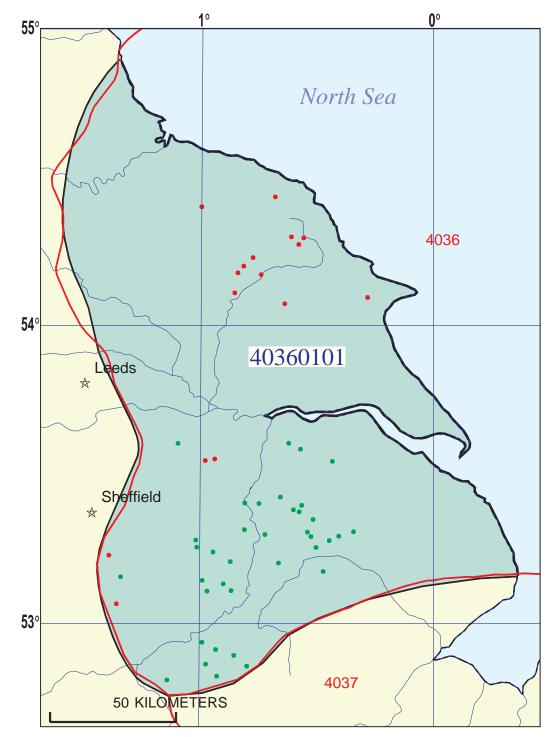
**RESERVOIR ROCKS:** Most reservoir rocks are of Carboniferous age. Reservoir rocks include the Old Red Sandstone, Waulsortian mounds and other carbonates of Dinantian age, deltaic sandstones, fluvial sandstones associated with the Coal Measures, and Permian red beds.

**TRAPS AND SEALS:** Local lithologic variations provide a variety of complex seals. Common seals include calcareous marine shales resting above deltaic sandstones, and lithologic variations within the sandstone/shale sequences of the Carboniferous delta.

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### **EXPLANATION**

- Hydrography
- Shoreline

4036 — Geologic province code and boundary

- --- Country boundary
- Gas field centerpoint

• Oil field centerpoint

40360101 — Assessment unit code and boundary

Projection: Robinson. Central meridian: 0

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

Date:	6/26/98					
Assessment Geologist: D.L. Gautier					-"	
Region:	gion: Europe					
Province:	Anglo-Dutch Basin	Number:	4036			
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Total Petroleum System:	Carboniferous-Rotliegen	d			Number:	403601
Assessment Unit:	Southern Permian Basin	-U.K. On	shore		Number:	40360101
* Notes from Assessor						
	CHARACTERISTICS	OF ASS	ESSMENT UNI	 Т		
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2. <b>ROCKS:</b> Adequate reservoirs, traps, and seals for an undiscovered field ≥ minimum size						
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	(uncertainty of fixed	d but unk	nown values)			
Oil fields:	· · · —	1	median no	3	max no.	7
Gas fields:	min. no. (>0)	1	median no	2	max no.	4
Size of Undiscovered Fields	: What are the anticipate (variations in the sizes		•	bove field	ds?:	
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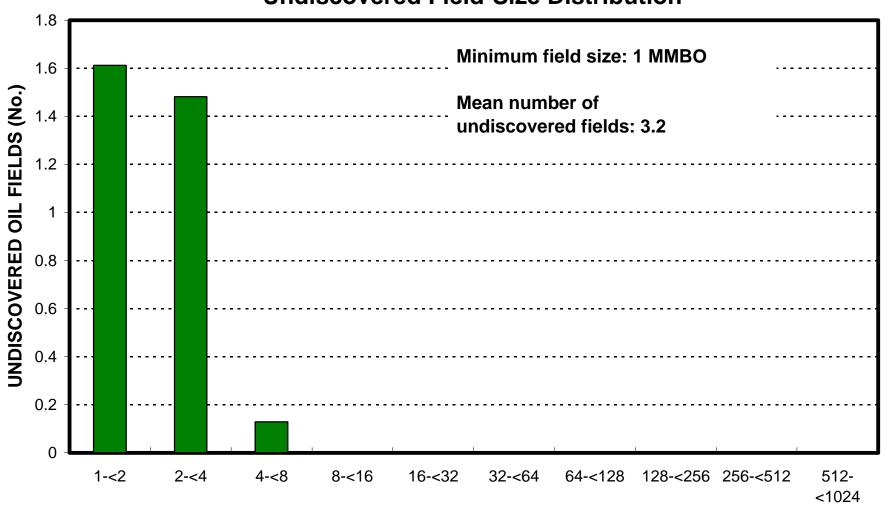
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Oil Fields:	minimum	median	maximum
Gas/oil ratio (cfg/bo)	600	1200	1800
NGL/gas ratio (bngl/mmcfg)	30	60	90
Gas fields:	minimum	median	maximum
Liquids/gas ratio (bngl/mmcfg)	22	44	66
Oil/gas ratio (bo/mmcfg)			
SELECTED ANCILLARY D	ATA FOR UNDISC	OVERED FIELDS	
(variations in the prop	perties of undiscov	rered fields)	
Oil Fields:	minimum	median	maximum
API gravity (degrees)	20	35	50
Sulfur content of oil (%)			
Drilling Depth (m)		·	·
Depth (m) of water (if applicable)			
Gas Fields:	minimum	median	maximum
Inert gas content (%)			
CO <sub>2</sub> content (%)			
Hydrogen-sulfide content (%)			
Drilling Depth (m)			
Depth (m) of water (if applicable)			

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

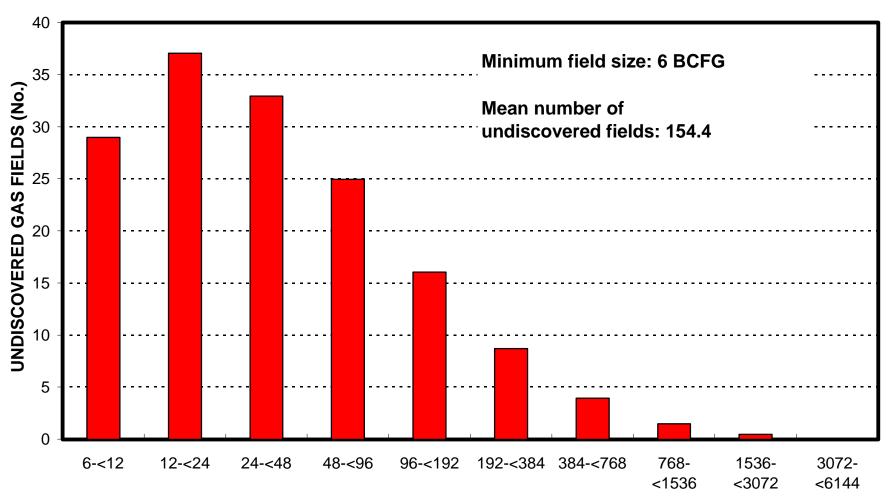
1. United Kingdom repre	esents 100	_areal % of the total assessment unit		
Oil in Oil Fields: Richness factor (unitless multiplier):	minimum	median	maximum	
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Gas in Gas Fields: Richness factor (unitless multiplier):	minimum	median	maximum	
Volume % in parcel (areal % x richness factor Portion of volume % that is offshore (0-100%)	):	100		

## Southern Permian Basin-U.K. Onshore, AU 40360101 Undiscovered Field-Size Distribution



**OIL-FIELD SIZE (MMBO)** 

## Southern Permian Basin-Europe Onshore, AU 40360102 Undiscovered Field-Size Distribution



**GAS-FIELD SIZE (BCFG)**