Petroleum History

1961 - first well was drilled in Tahamah-onshore Area.

1982 - first oil discovery in Sayhut-Offshore Area, block 15, with 3000 bbl/day.

1986 - first oil production in Marib Area, block 18, with 80,000 bbl/day.

1987 - first oil production in Shabwah Area, block 4, with 10,000 bbl/day.

1993 - first oil production in Hadhramaut Area, block 14, with 110,000 bbl/day.
In Yemen, the general strategy of the petroleum sector is focusing to increase oil and gas reserves through the following:

- Attracting international investment.
- Encouraging National and Arabic Capital to invest in this sector.
- Developing general laws associated to the economical activities.
- Improving financial and economical terms of PSA.
- Updating all petroleum facilities and transferring modern technology.
- Developing scientific concepts of the petroleum geology in Yemen as well as supporting scientific researches.
- Focusing on offshore and land areas besides improving PSA term of these areas.
- Updating the institutional foundation and developing local cadres "staff" and transferring modern technology.
Active International Oil Companies in Yemen

Nexen

DNO

Safer

OMV

KNOC

Jannah

Hunt

Total

Dove

Calvalley

Occidental

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