



# from platform to people


 It takes **10-15 years** from initial exploratory well to the first production yield.


 An average floating production system for offshore drilling **costs between \$1-4 billion** and requires thousands of workers.


Oil is extracted from porous rocks found **miles beneath the earth's surface**, called reservoirs.


 From the floating production unit, oil then flows **through miles of pipelines** to refineries on shore.

 After the oil is refined into gasoline, it is then **moved by pipeline or tanker truck** to stations.

 Despite the complex journey from platform to people, in the U.S., a gallon of gas sells for **less than a gallon of milk**.

 Natural gas keeps the heat and lights on in our **homes, offices, schools and hospitals**.

 Heat and chemicals in the refineries are used to manufacture cleaner fuel. **Refineries operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week** and become an integral part of the community.

 **Thousands of products**, from cellphones to footballs, lipstick to aspirin- all got their start from a barrel of oil.