

The Top Twenty Fields: Are They in Decline? What Do We Know? (Updated)

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Taking the lead from this thread over at peakoil.com, I thought a discussion of whether or not the top 20 fields were in decline, and then consolidating that into a reference resource would be a good idea. Under the fold is the latest list with the sources beside the field. Is this all we know?

- 1. Ghawar Unknown
- 2a. Burgan CONFIRMED DECLINE ~14% (Source)
- 2b. Cantarell CONFIRMED DECLINE ~14% (Source)
- 3. Bolivar Coastal Unknown
- 4. Safaniya-Khafji Unknown
- 5. Rumaila Unknown
- 6. Tengiz Unknown
- 7. Ahwaz CONFIRMED DECLINE ~64% (HOLY CRAP!) (Source)
- 8. Kirkuk CONFIRMED DECLINE Need Source
- 9. Marun CONFIRMED DECLINE (Source)
- 10. Gachsaran Unknown
- 11. Aghajari CONFIRMED DECLINE (Source)
- 12. Samotlor CONFIRMED DECLINE ~ 9% (Simmons' book IIRC)
- 13a. Prudhoe Bay CONFIRMED DECLINE ~11% (Multiple sources)
- 13b. Kashagan Unknown
- 14. Abqaiq I don't know, but have you seen the cross section? It's all water!
- 15. Romashkino Unknown
- 16. Chicontepec Unknown
- 17. Berri Unknown
- 18. Zakum Unknown
- 19. Manifa Unknown
- 20. Faroozan-Marjan Unknown
- 21. Marlim, Campos CONFIRMED DECLINE ~8% (Source)

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