

Gannet Alpha spill biggest in over a decade

A second leak has been detected at the Gannet Alpha oil platform in the North Sea, already the biggest spill in UK waters in over a decade. Over 1,300 barrels – about 216 tonnes – of oil have escaped so far, but the rate is now down to about five barrels a day

NORTH SEA BIGGEST SPILLS

■ **2007:** 21,750 barrels spilled while loading tanker at **Statfjord** oil field, Norway

■ **1993:** **MV Braer** tanker runs aground off Shetlands, leaking 85,000 tonnes of crude oil

OIL SPILLS IN UK WATERS (tonnes)

