The largest pollution of the North sea



In 1988, the oil platform "Piper alpha" was the largest accident in the history of oil production.



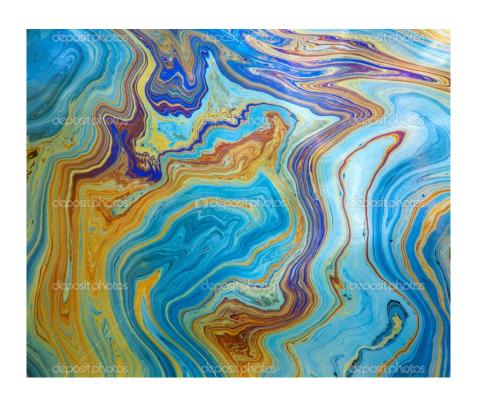
Crash damage was 4 billion US dollars.



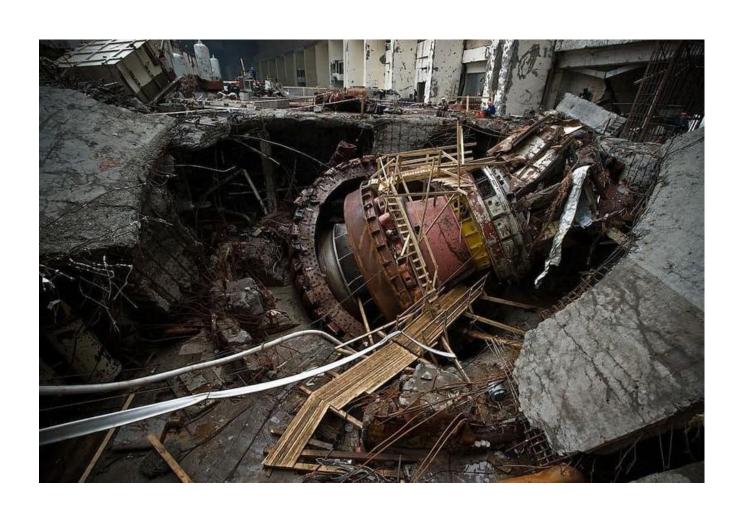
The crash caused the powerful explosion that completely destroyed the oil platform. Total killed 167 of the 226 people who were at that moment on the platform, only 59 survived.



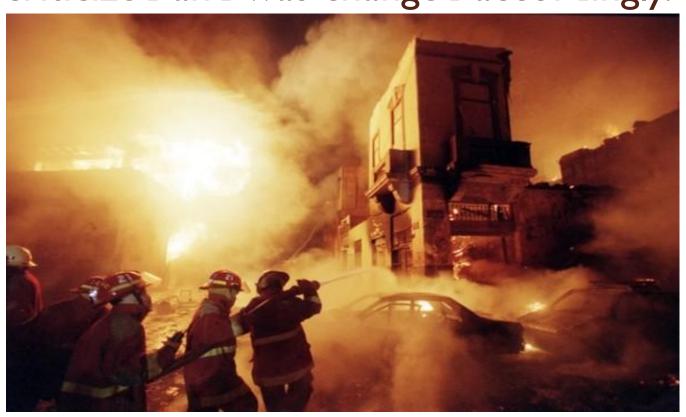
During the following days, the oil continued to flow into the North sea, whose waters are now among the most polluted in the world.



The cause of the explosion is exactly the install failed



It was assumed that there was a gas leak and the explosion was quite accidental spark. After the crash safety standards of oil operations in the North sea was heavily criticized and was changed accordingly.



Some time later, the oil platform "Piper" was resumed.

