

Sedimentary rock

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Type of [rock](#) that is formed by the [deposition](#) and subsequent cementation of [sediments](#) (eroded fragmented rocks or precipitation of dissolved material) on the floor of oceans or other bodies of water at the [Earth's surface](#).

[Sedimentary rocks](#) are quite common, covering about 75% of the [Earth's surface](#).

However, the volume of [Sedimentary rocks](#) is low, indicating limited thickness of these rocks.

It holds the most of [Hydrocarbon Reserves](#), both explored and estimated.

Sedimentary rocks are normally split into two categories:

[Clastic Sedimentary Rock](#)

[Carbonate Sedimentary Rock](#)

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