

## Trans Alaskan Pipeline System

When did the U.S. purchase Alaska?

From whom did we purchase it?

What did it cost?

What does that translate to in 2009 dollars? (see <http://www.halfhill.com/inflation.html>)

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Why was the Trans Alaskan Pipeline System (better known as the **Alaska Pipeline**) created?

Where was Alaskan oil finally discovered, after decades of prospecting (and 101 years after the purchase of Alaska)?

Why was Valdez chosen as the southern terminus of the pipeline?

What happened at Valdez in 1989?

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Define the following terms:

fjord

moraine

permafrost

fault line

What president signed the Trans-Alaskan Pipeline Authorization Act?

When did construction begin?

When did it end?

How much did it cost?

How much is that in 2009 dollars?

How long is the pipeline?

How wide in diameter is the pipe itself?

How do they keep the oil from freezing in the pipeline?

What keeps the permafrost from melting?

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**Map the Alaska Pipeline on the outline at right.**

Include **at least ten** geographical markers.



