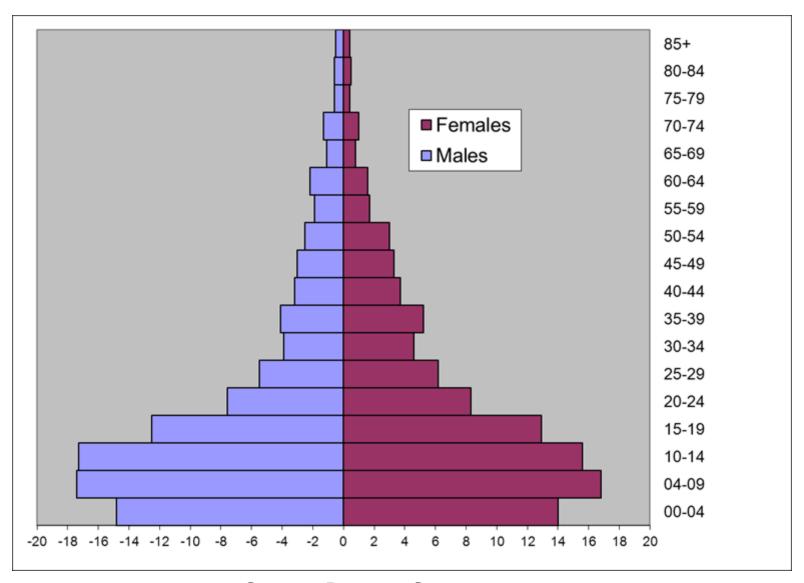
Keys to Development:

State Capacity and the Yemeni Private Sector

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Yemen in Context

- Substantial achievements over the last forty years
- Per capita income, health, education, physical infrastructure have all been transformed
- By whatever time period, 10, 20, 30 years, Yemen has grown and livelihoods have improved
 - In spite extremely high rates of population growth

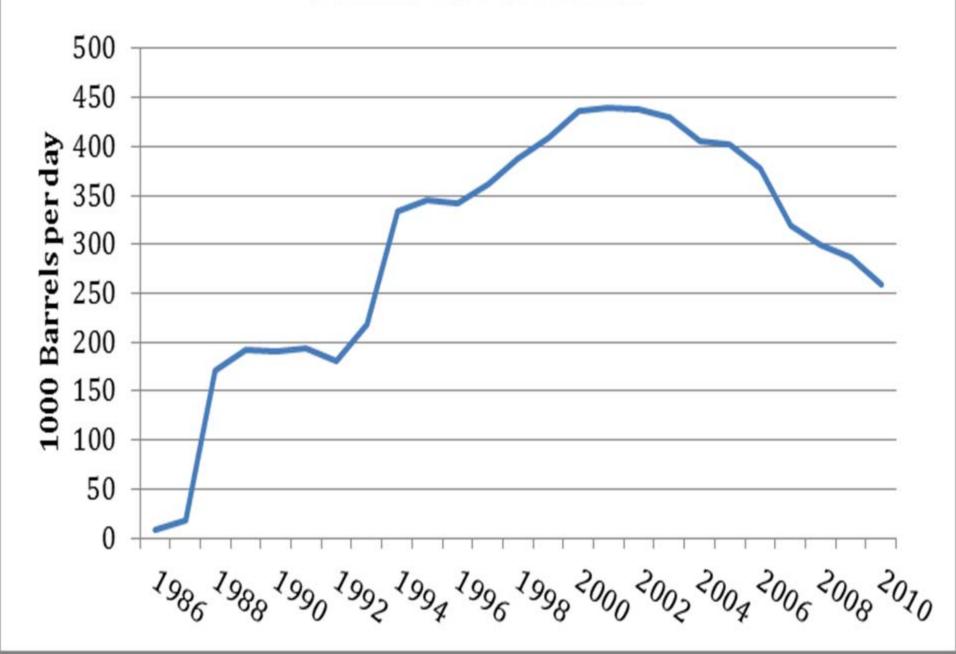


Source: Poverty Survey

Remittances and Oil

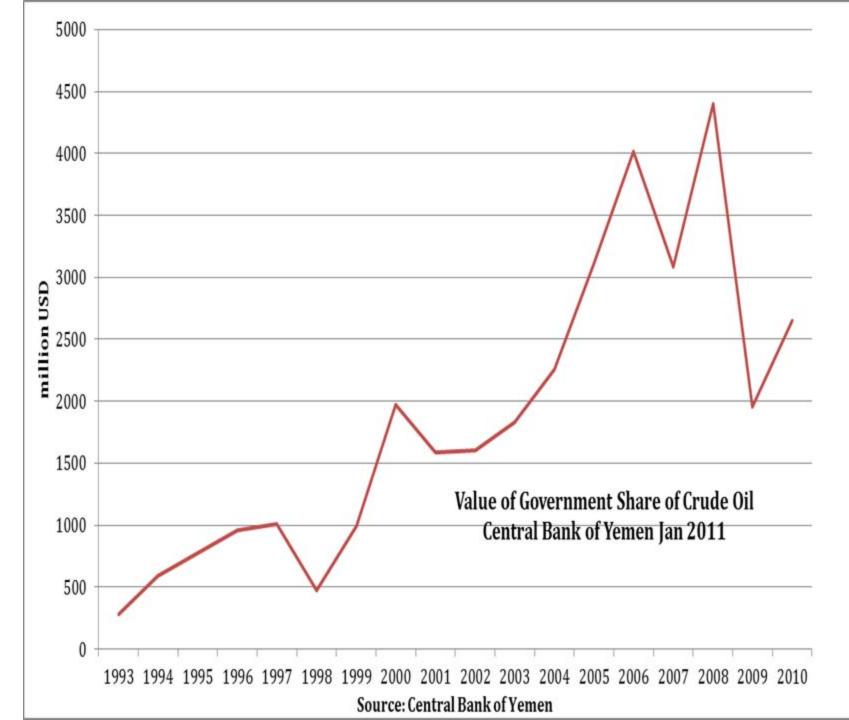
- Growth driven by two factors: remittances and oil
- Remittances remained steady at about 1.5 billion USD while the Yemeni economy grew reducing the significance of remittances
- Oil growth begins in 1990's but increases dramatically in the 2000's

Yemeni Oil Production



World Oil Prices





Oil Curse

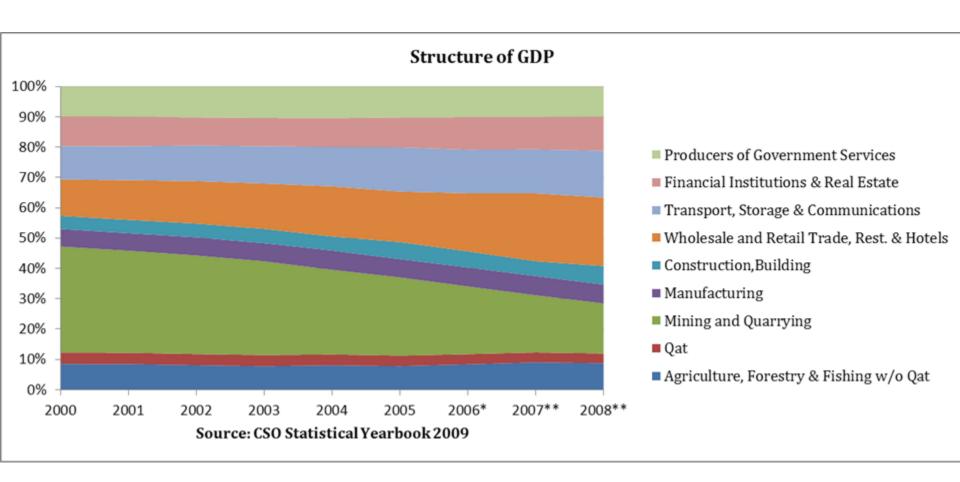
- Agriculture declines, services grow
 - Transportation, commerce, communications (non-commodity sectors)
 - Ag 10% of GDP, 30% of labor
- Yemen imports most of its staples wheat and rice
- 90% of water use in agriculture, some 40% of that water is used in Qat
- Qat is 3% of GDP

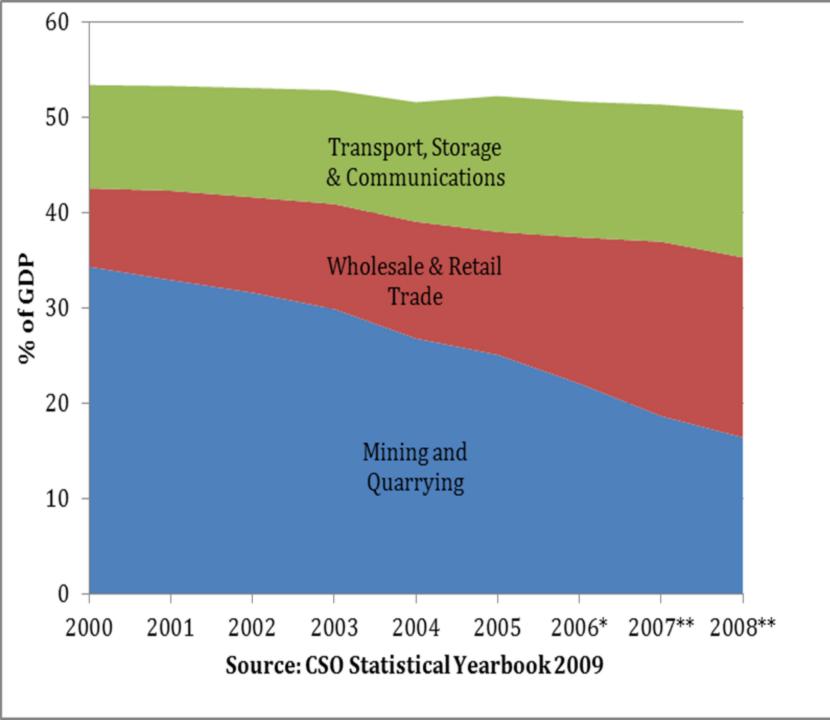
A word on agriculture

- Yemen very low per capita water resources
- Green by Arabian standards
 - Low bar
- Only 3% arable dependent upon rains
 - Half of Yemen agricultural land rain fed only
- "Virtual" water concepts suggests that Yemen import water intensive crops and export products that use relatively little water

State Dependence

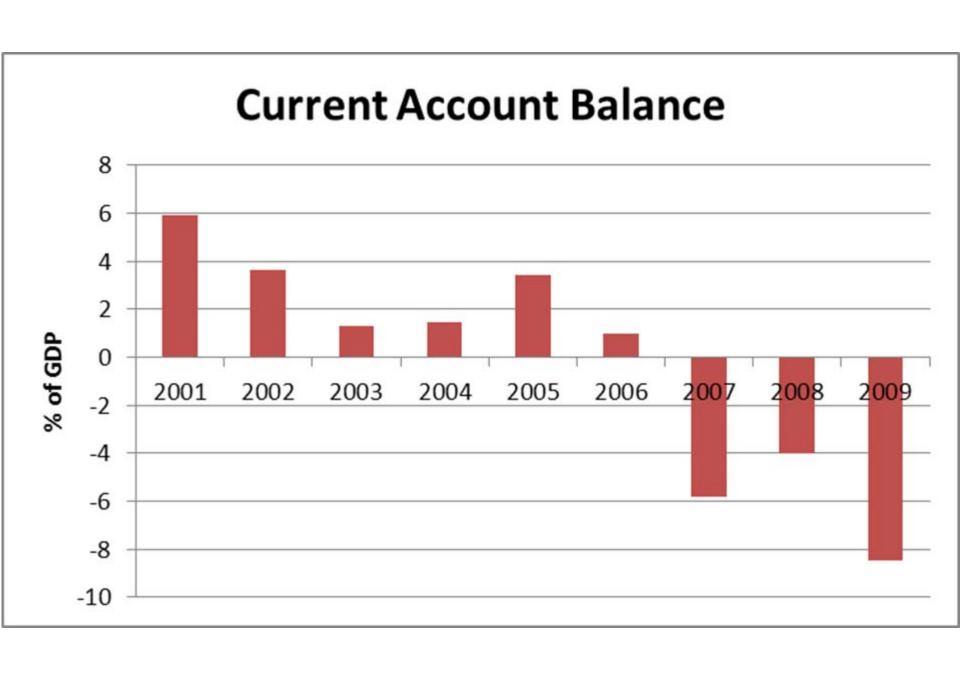
- State revenues dependent upon oil
 - 75% of revenues from oil over the last 15 years
- State bureaucracy atrophied, particularly tax collection
 - State became a distribution network of oil revenues
- State revenue not dependent upon growth of the economy outside of oil

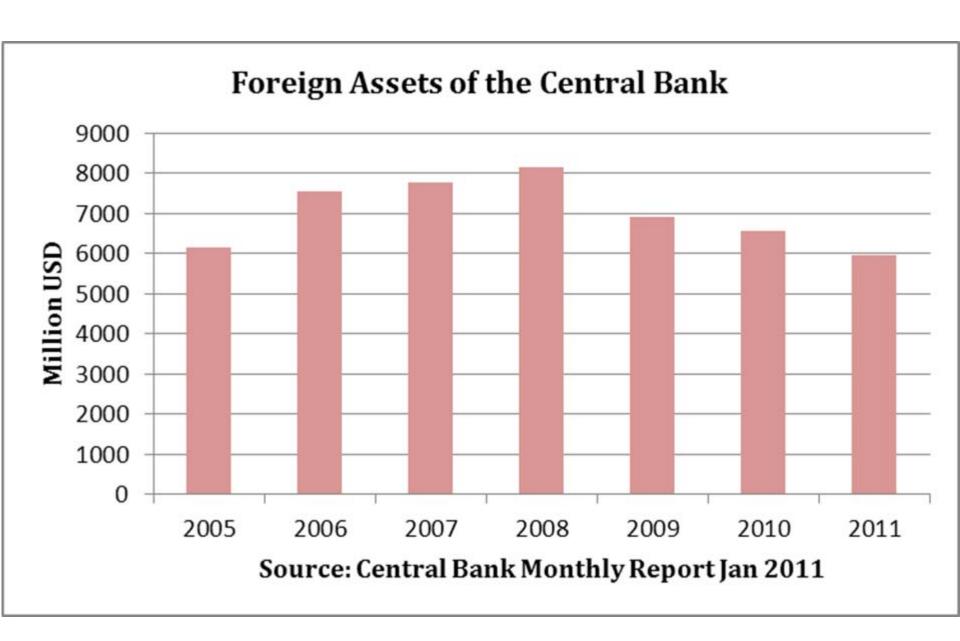




Oil Declining

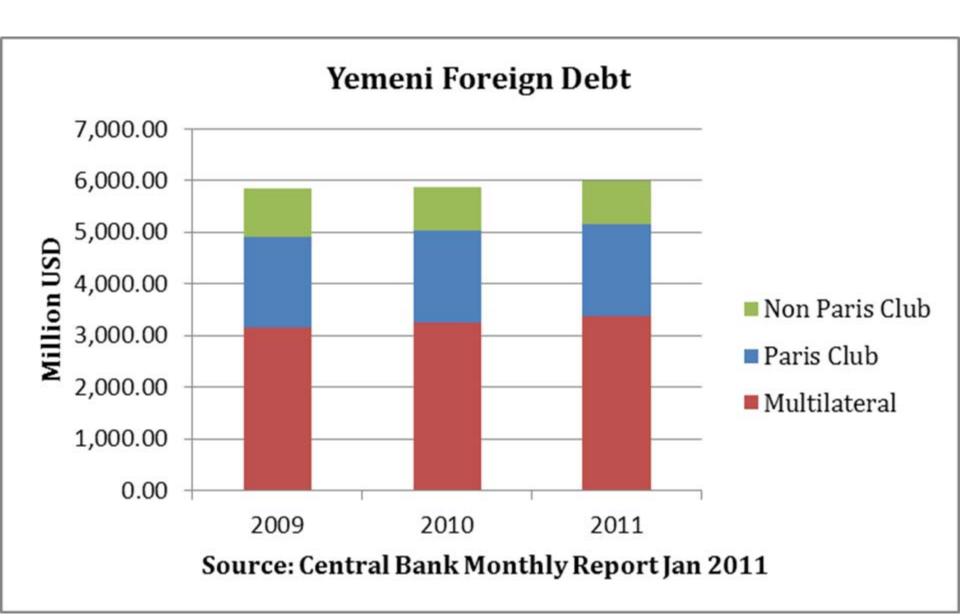
- Yemeni oil peaked in 2001
- Rising prices masked decline in production
- Decline now affecting economy
- Current account deficits
- Declining Foreign Reserves

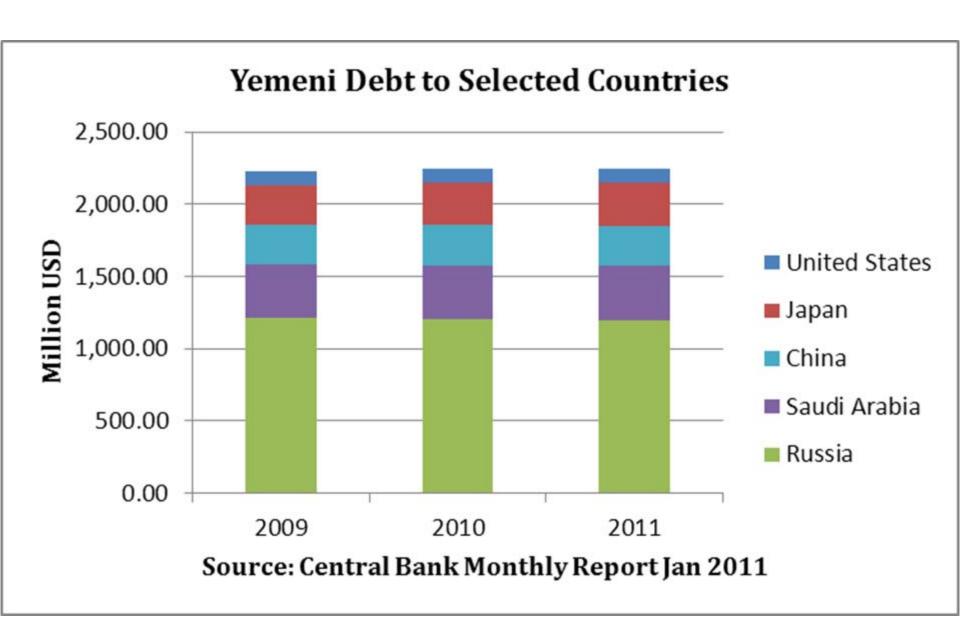




Yemen not highly indebted

- About 20% of GDP, relatively low by world standards
- Most aid from multilateral agencies
- US a small actor in Yemeni aid
- Saudi contribution underrepresented by official figures





Short Term Crisis

- Oil production stopped
- Regime running down foreign reserves
- Prime Minister reportedly in Saudi Arabia looking to cover state salaries
- Currency losing value, potential collapse of Rial
- Rapid inflation
- Food imports threatened

Medium Term Transition

- Growth not dependent upon natural resources
- More diverse economy, an asset in the long run
 - Oil and Gas
 - Aden Port
 - Free trade zone
 - Import substitution industry
 - Labor export
 - Tourism

State Capacity

- Diverse economy dependent upon state capacity
 - Coordination of coherent national investment strategy
 - Dynamic comparative advantage
 - Social and physical infrastructure
 - Development of Yemeni private sector
 - National pact
- Foreign investment looks for growth, does not cause growth.
- Institutional capacity and credible politics
 - State not "free" of politics
 - Social Pact