Task 1: The table below shows daily oil production in 4 countries from 2000 to 2004.

(barrels per day)

	2000	**2001**	**2002**	**2003**	**2004**
Nigeria	205,000	210,000	190,000	210,000	213,000
Chad	0	0	0	8,000	50,000
Congo	275,000	234,000	222,000	215,000	203,000
Somalia	5,000	8,000	17,000	21,000	50,000

The table gives information about how much oil was produced, in barrels per day, across four countries – Nigeria, Chad, Congo and Somalia – between 2000 and 2004.

Overview:
1st key feature – increases (Nigeria, Chad, Somalia)
2nd key feature – Congo.
3rd key feature – Nigeria the highest.
4th key feature – Somalia and Chad the lowest.

In general, oil production showed an upward trend in Nigeria, Chad and Somalia during the period, while Congo was the only country with a downward trend. The highest oil production rate was seen in Nigeria by the end of the period, whereas the reverse was true for Somalia and Chad, which both stood at 50 000 barrels per day.

Main body 1: Nigeria and Congo – 200 000

Nigeria and Congo exhibited oil production rates above 200 000 barrels per day in almost every year. Congo produced 275 000 barrels of oil daily in 2000, but this declined to 234 000 by 2001. This figure kept on reducing until 2004, reaching 203 000 barrels of oil per day. As for Nigeria's oil production, it started at 205 000 barrels in 2000, which then showed an increase of 5 000 barrels in 2001, but this was followed by a decline to 190 000 in 2002. The oil production in Nigeria, however, had recovered by 2003, mirroring its rate in 2001, and then it further increased slowly to 213 000 in 2004.

Main body 2: Somalia and Chad.

The oil production rates stayed at or below 50 000 barrels daily in the remaining countries over the years. Having stood at 5 000 barrels in 2000, the figure for Somalia registered a moderate increase until 2003, reaching 21 000 barrels. The figure then more than doubled, showing the production of 50 000 barrels per day by 2004. Meanwhile, Chad did not produce any oil at all for the first three years, then began production in 2003 at 8 000 barrels per day and rose sharply to 50 000 in 2004.

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