

SWOT Data Citations

We are grateful to all who generously contributed their sea turtle data for inclusion in the maps featured throughout this volume. Data contributors and sources are cited throughout the following pages. For information about how the feature maps of sea turtle biogeography in the Pacific Islands were created, please see the text on p. 26.

GUIDELINES OF DATA USE AND CITATION

The nesting and satellite telemetry data that follow correspond to the maps of sea turtle biogeography in the Pacific Islands on pp. 28–29. More details about nest data records can be found on the virtual version of this map at www.SeaTurtleStatus.org/maps/pacific-islands-sea-turtles. To use data for research or publication, you must obtain permission from the data providers.

Nesting Data Citations

Additional metadata, including nesting beach names, nest counts, and year of data collection, may be found online on the interactive web version of this map found at www.SeaTurtleStatus.org/maps/pacific-islands-sea-turtles, at <http://seamap.env.duke.edu/swot>, or by viewing the original data source (if published).

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COOK ISLANDS

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Data Providers: Irene Kinan Kelly, Kimberly Maison, and Michael White

FIJI

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Data Providers: Irene Kinan Kelly and Kimberly Maison

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KIRIBATI

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FIJI

DATA RECORD 1

Project Title: Hawksbills Tracked in Fiji

Metadata: 2 *Eretmochelys imbricata*

Data Source: Hawksbills tracked in Fiji. Personal communication. In *SWOT Report—The State of the World's Sea Turtles*, vol. XXI (2026).

SWOT Contacts: Aisake Batibasaga, Denise Parker, George H. Balazs, Lui Bell, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF), National Trust of Fiji, University of the South Pacific, and Mamaniuca Environment Society

FRENCH POLYNESIA

DATA RECORD 2

Project Title: Hawksbills Tracked in French Polynesia

Metadata: 3 *Eretmochelys imbricata*

Data Source: Gaspar, C., D. M. Parker, and G. H. Balazs. 2012. Hawksbills tracked in French Polynesia. Personal communication. In *SWOT Report—The State of the World's Sea Turtles*, vol. XXI (2026).

SWOT Contacts: Te Mana o Te Moana, Cecil Gaspar, Department of Environment, NOAA, Denise Parker, and George H. Balazs

MARSHALL ISLANDS

DATA RECORD 3

Project Title: Green Turtles Tracked from Marshall Islands

Metadata: 5 *Chelonia mydas*

Data Source: Parker, D. M., G. H. Balazs, K. Frutchey, E. Kabua, E., Langidrik, and K. Boktok. 2015. Conservation considerations revealed by the movements of post-nesting green turtles from the Republic of the Marshall Islands. *Micronesica* 2015-03: 1–9.

SWOT Contacts: Denise Parker and George H. Balazs

DATA RECORD 4 | SWOT ID: 341

Project Title: USAKA (U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll) Turtle Release Program

Metadata: 1 *Eretmochelys imbricata*

Data Sources: (A) Sims, C. 2024. USAKA turtle release program. Dataset published in OBIS-SEAMAP and originated from Satellite Tracking and Analysis Tool (STAT; www.seaturtle.org/tracking/index.shtml?project_id=137); (B) OBIS-SEAMAP. (C) STAT.

SWOT Contacts: Cathy Madore and Ken Sims

MICRONESIA, FEDERATED STATES OF

DATA RECORD 5

Project Title: Migrations and Conservation Implications of Post-nesting Green Turtles from Gilep Island, Ulithi Atoll, Federated States of Micronesia

Metadata: 13 postnesting *Chelonia mydas*

Data Source: Kolinski, S. P., J. Cruce, D. M. Parker, G. H. Balazs, and R. Clarke. 2014. Migrations and conservation implications of post-nesting green turtles from Gilep Island, Ulithi Atoll, Federated States of Micronesia. *Micronesica* 2014-04: 1–9.

SWOT Contacts: Steven Kolinski and Denise Parker

NEW CALEDONIA

DATA RECORD 6

Project Title: New Caledonia Marine Turtle Argos Tracking Project

Metadata: 47 *Chelonia mydas*, 33 *Caretta caretta*

Data Source: M. Oremus. 2023. *Turtles Without Borders: New Caledonia Marine Turtle Argos Tracking Project (SAT-MC)*. WWF France.

SWOT Contacts: Marc Oremus and Olivier Chateau

SAMOA

DATA RECORD 7

Project Title: Hawksbills Tracked in Samoa

Metadata: 1 *Eretmochelys imbricata*

Data Source: Bell, L., D. M. Parker, and G. H. Balazs. 2010. Hawksbills tracked in Samoa. Personal communication. In *SWOT Report—The State of the World's Sea Turtles*, vol. XXI (2026).

SWOT Contacts: Lui Bell, SPREP, Ministry of Natural Resources, NOAA, Denise Parker, and George H. Balazs

DATA RECORD 8

Project Title: Green Turtles Tracked from Rose Atoll

Metadata: 8 *Chelonia mydas*

Data Source: Craig, P., D. M. Parker, R. Brainard, M. R. Rice, and G. H. Balazs. 2004. Migrations of green turtles in the central South Pacific. *Biological Conservation* 116 (3): 433–438.

SWOT Contacts: Denise Parker and George H. Balazs

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (HAWAII)

DATA RECORD 9

Project Title: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Turtle Tracking

Metadata: 1 *Caretta caretta*, 6 *Lepidochelys olivacea*

Data Source: (A) Parker, D. M., G. H. Balazs, and J. Polovina. 2015. NMFS turtle tracking. Dataset published in OBIS-SEAMAP; (B) OBIS-SEAMAP.

SWOT Contacts: Denise Parker and NOAA Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center

DATA RECORD 10

Project Title: Hawksbills Tracked in Hawaii

Metadata: 11 *Eretmochelys imbricata*

Data Sources: (A) Parker, D. M., G. H. Balazs, C. S. King, L. Katahira, and W. Gilmartin. (2009). Short-range movements of hawksbill turtles (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) from nesting to foraging areas within the Hawaiian Islands. *Pacific Science* 63 (3): 371–382; (B) Parker, D. M., C. S. King, M. R. Rice, and G. H. Balazs. 2014. First use of a GPS satellite tag to track a post-nesting hawksbill (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) in the Hawaiian Islands with an indication of possible mortality. *Marine Turtle Newsletter* 142: 10–13.

SWOT Contact: Denise Parker

DATA RECORD 11

Project Title: Post-nesting Green Turtles Tracked from Hawaii

Metadata: 21 *Chelonia mydas*

Data Source: Balazs, G. H., D. M. Parker, and M. R. Rice. 2017. Ocean pathways and residential foraging locations for satellite tracked green turtles breeding at French Frigate Shoals in the Hawaiian Islands. *Micronesica* 2017-04: 1–19.

SWOT Contacts: Denise Parker and George H. Balazs

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS)

DATA RECORD 12 | SWOT ID: 974

Project Title: CNMI Sea Turtle Program Satellite Tracked Green Turtles 2011

Metadata: 3 postnesting *Chelonia mydas*

Data Sources: (A) Summers, T. 2013. CNMI Sea Turtle Program satellite tracked green turtles 2011. Dataset published in OBIS-SEAMAP; (B) OBIS-SEAMAP.

SWOT Contacts: Tammy Summers, NOAA Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center, and Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Department of Lands and Natural Resources, Division of Fish and Wildlife

VANUATU

DATA RECORD 13

Project Title: Hawksbills Tracked in Vanuatu

Metadata: 1 *Eretmochelys imbricata*

Data Source: Parker, D. M., and G. H. Balazs. 2008. Hawksbills tracked in Vanuatu. Personal communication. In *SWOT Report—The State of the World's Sea Turtles*, vol. XXI (2026).

SWOT Contacts: Secretariat of the Pacific, WWF, Wan Smolbag Theatre, NOAA, Denise Parker, and George H. Balazs

MULTINATIONAL

DATA RECORD 14

Project Title: Large-Scale Movements and High-Use Areas of Western Pacific Leatherback Turtles, *Dermochelys coriacea*

Metadata: 89 adult and subadult *Dermochelys coriacea*

Data Source: Benson, S. R., T. Eguchi, D. G. Foley et al. 2011. Large-scale movements and high-use areas of western Pacific leatherback turtles, *Dermochelys coriacea*. *Ecosphere* 2 (7): 1–18.

SWOT Contact: Scott Benson

DATA RECORD 15

Project Title: Migrations of Green Turtles (*Chelonia mydas*) between Nesting and Foraging Grounds Across the Coral Sea

Metadata: 7 *Chelonia mydas*

Data Source: Read, T. C., L. Wantiez, J. M. Werry, R. Farman, G. Petro, and C. J. Limpus. 2014. Migrations of green turtles (*Chelonia mydas*) between nesting and foraging grounds across the Coral Sea. *PLOS One* 9 (6): e100083.

SWOT Contact: Tyffen Read

DATA RECORD 16

Project Title: Tracking Vanu Home to Fiji

Metadata: 6 *Caretta caretta*, 2 *Eretmochelys imbricata*, 8 *Chelonia mydas*

Data Source: Balazs, G. H. 2017. Tracking vanu back home to Fiji. Presented to the International Union for Conservation of Nature—Species Survival Commission, Marine Turtle Specialist Group, Oceania Region.

SWOT Contacts: Denise Parker and George H. Balazs

DATA RECORD 17

Project Title: NOAA Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center Marine Turtle Tracking Program

Metadata: 212 *Chelonia mydas*, 29 *Eretmochelys imbricata*, 2 *Lepidochelys olivacea*

Data Source: NOAA Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center Turtle Tracking Program. 2026. In *SWOT Report—The State of the World's Sea Turtles*, vol. XXI (2026).

SWOT Contacts: Alexander Gaos, Summer Martin, and NOAA Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center

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Data Providers: Irene Kinan Kelly, Joshua Eberdong, Kimberly Maison, and Sarah Klein

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Citations: (A) Dethmers, K. E., D. Broderick, C. Moritz et al. 2006. The genetic structure of Australasian green turtles (*Chelonia mydas*): Exploring the geographical scale of genetic exchange. *Molecular Ecology* 15 (13): 3931–3946; (B) Dutton, P. H., C. Hiltpeuw, M. Zein et al. 2007. Status and genetic structure of nesting populations of leatherback turtles (*Dermochelys coriacea*) in the western Pacific. *Chelonian Conservation and Biology* 6 (1): 47–53; (C) Kinan, I. (ed.). 2005. *Proceedings of the Second Western Pacific Sea Turtle Cooperative Research and Management Workshop, Volume I: West Pacific Leatherback and Southwest Pacific Hawksbill Sea Turtles*. Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council; (D) Kinch, J. 2003. *Sea Turtle Resources in the Milne Bay Province, Papua New Guinea: Results of a Nesting Survey (21–27 January 2003) at Panayayapona and Panaduludulu Islands (Jomard Islands), with Additional Notes*. Milne Bay Community-Based Coastal and Marine Conservation Program; (E) Wangunu, N., D. Kwan, I. Bell, and J. Pita. 2004. *Turtle Tagging and Monitoring in Milne Bay Province, December 2003*. Report prepared for Conservation International, Papua New Guinea Department of Environment and Conservation, and South Pacific Regional Environment Programme. Milne Bay Community-Based Marine Conservation Program; (F) Krueger, B. 2008. Hawksbill nesting in Papua New Guinea. Personal communication. In *SWOT Report—The State of the World's Sea Turtles*, vol. III (2008); (G) National Fisheries Authority, Papua New Guinea. 2007. *A Review of Fisheries and Marine Resources in New Ireland Province, Papua New Guinea*. National Fisheries Authority and Coastal Fisheries Management and Development Project; (H) National Marine Fisheries Service and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. 1998. *Recovery Plan for U.S. Pacific Populations of the Loggerhead Turtle (Caretta caretta)*. National Marine Fisheries Service; (I) Pilcher, N. J. 2010. Personal communication. In *SWOT Report—The State of the World's Sea Turtles*, vol. VI (2011); (J) Pilcher, N. J. 2011. *Community-Based Conservation of Leatherback Turtles Along the Huan Coast, Papua New Guinea*. Final report to the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council; (K) Pilcher, N. J. 2013. *Community-Based Conservation of Leatherback Turtles Along the Huan Coast, Papua New Guinea*. Final report to the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council; (L) Pritchard, P. C. H. 1979. Marine turtles of Papua New Guinea. Unedited field notes. Fisheries Archive Paper No. P87. Papua New Guinea Wildlife Division.

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