

Status of leatherback turtles in Korea (Republic of)

No report on leatherback turtles in Korea was submitted. However, a search of literature (electronic and printed) has revealed that leatherback turtles are known from Korean waters (Doi 1936). Satellite telemetry of post nesting leatherback turtles from Indonesia Papua indicated that one female swam into Korean waters (see Indonesia section). Leatherback turtles have also been recorded as bycatch by the Korean North Pacific Squid fishery (International North Pacific Fisheries Commission 1991).

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