USDA licensed pet breeders

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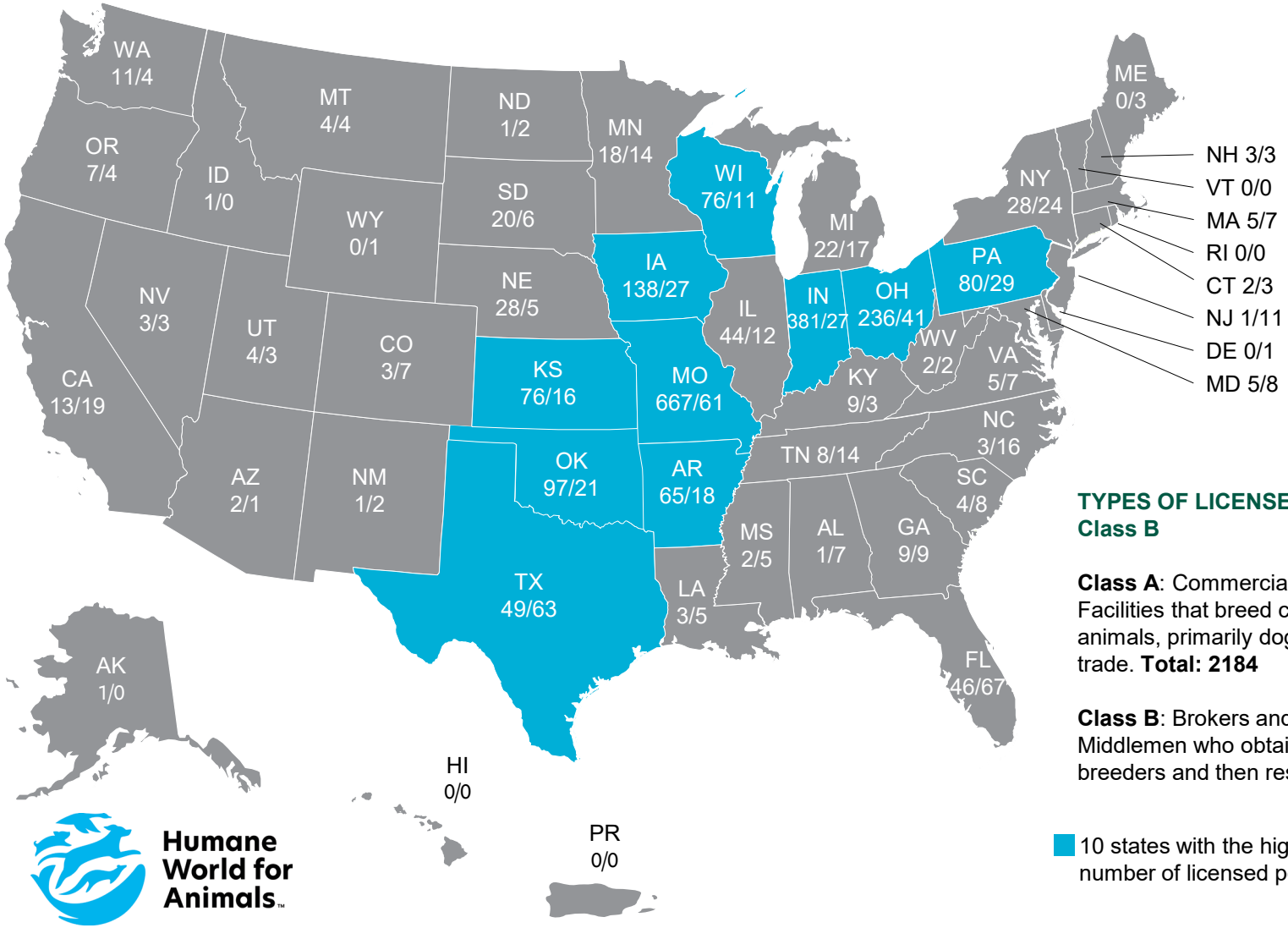

TYPES OF LICENSES: Class A/ Class B

Class A: Commercial breeders. Facilities that breed companion animals, primarily dogs, for the pet trade. **Total: 2184**

Class B: Brokers and dealers. Middlemen who obtain animals from breeders and then resell. **Total: 620**

10 states with the highest number of licensed pet breeders

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