

20 Years Of Progress Closing LUST Sites

% Of LUST Sites Closed (Cumulative) By State

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The Problem

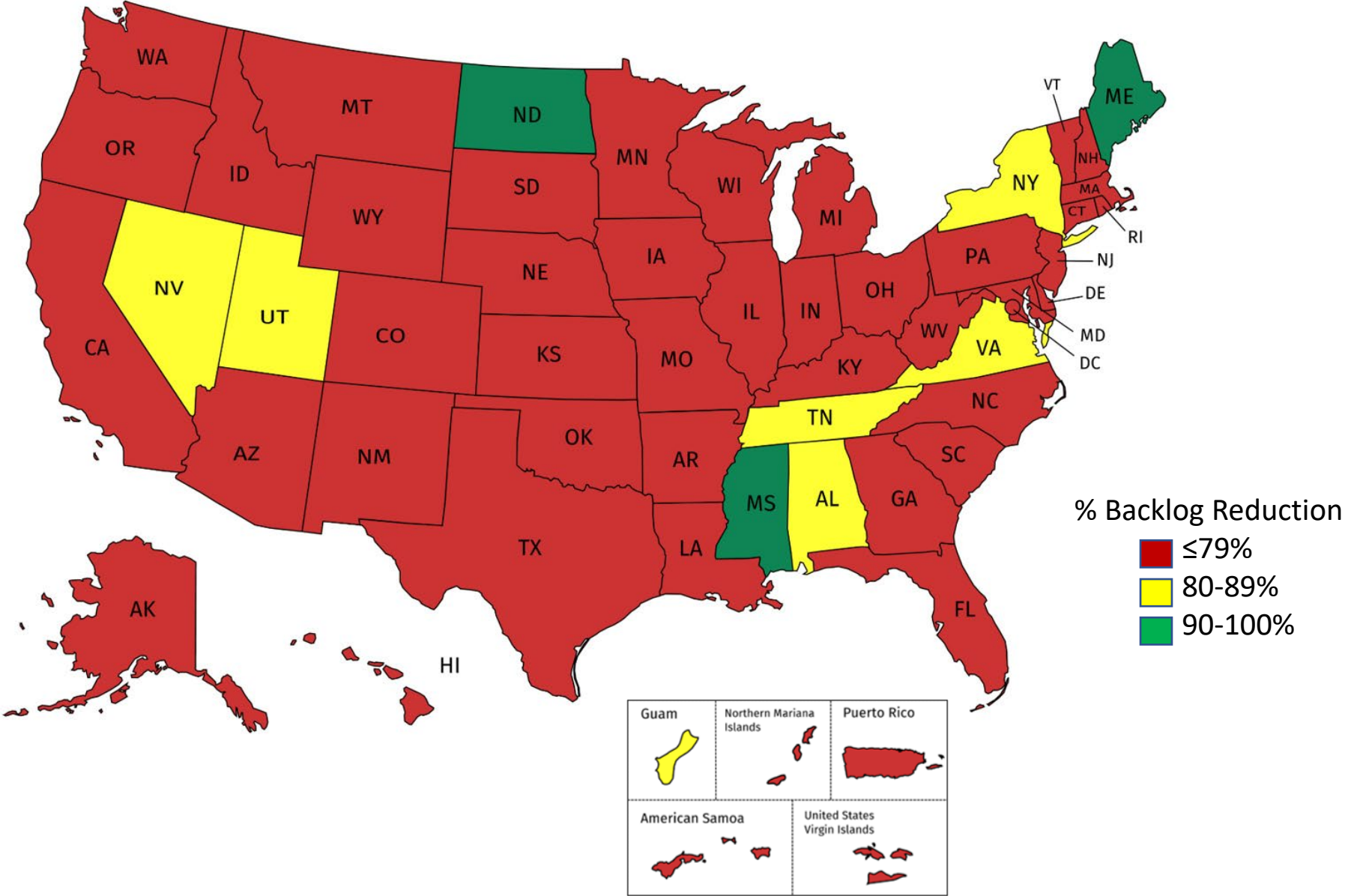
Contamination from leaking underground storage tank (LUST) sites threatens groundwater, the source of drinking water for nearly half of all Americans. Addressing the backlog of LUST sites remaining to be cleaned up continues to be a high priority for EPA and our state, territorial, and tribal partners.

Good News

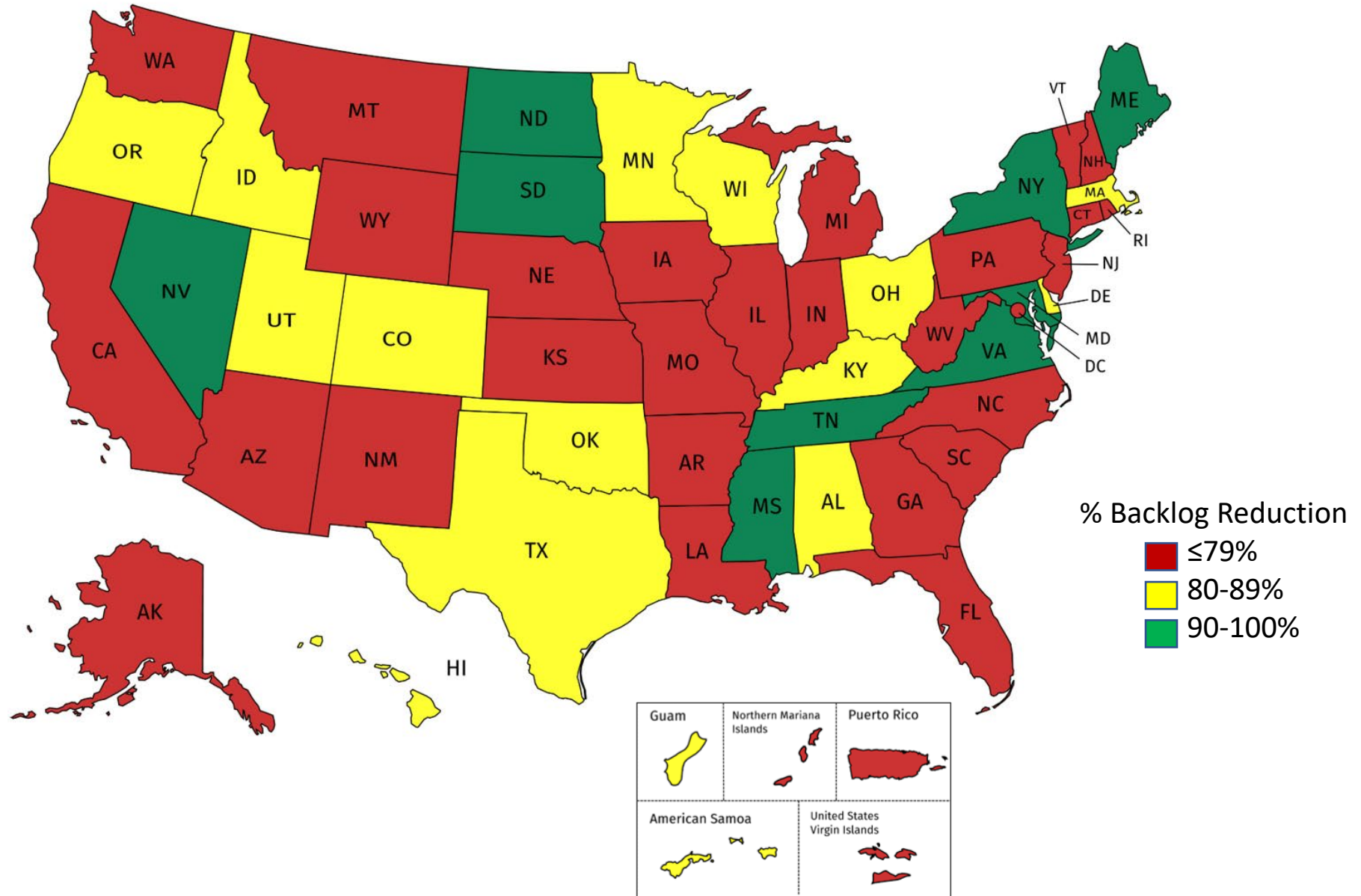
EPA and our partners reduced the backlog of LUST sites from 162,600 in 2000 to 62,500 in 2020*. The maps on the following slides show progress each state and territory made closing LUST sites over the past 20 years. The maps display the percentage of sites closed in 5-year intervals. As of 2020, 37 states have closed over 90 percent of their LUST sites.

*U.S. EPA's UST Performance Measures Reports; www.epa.gov/ust/ust-performance-measures

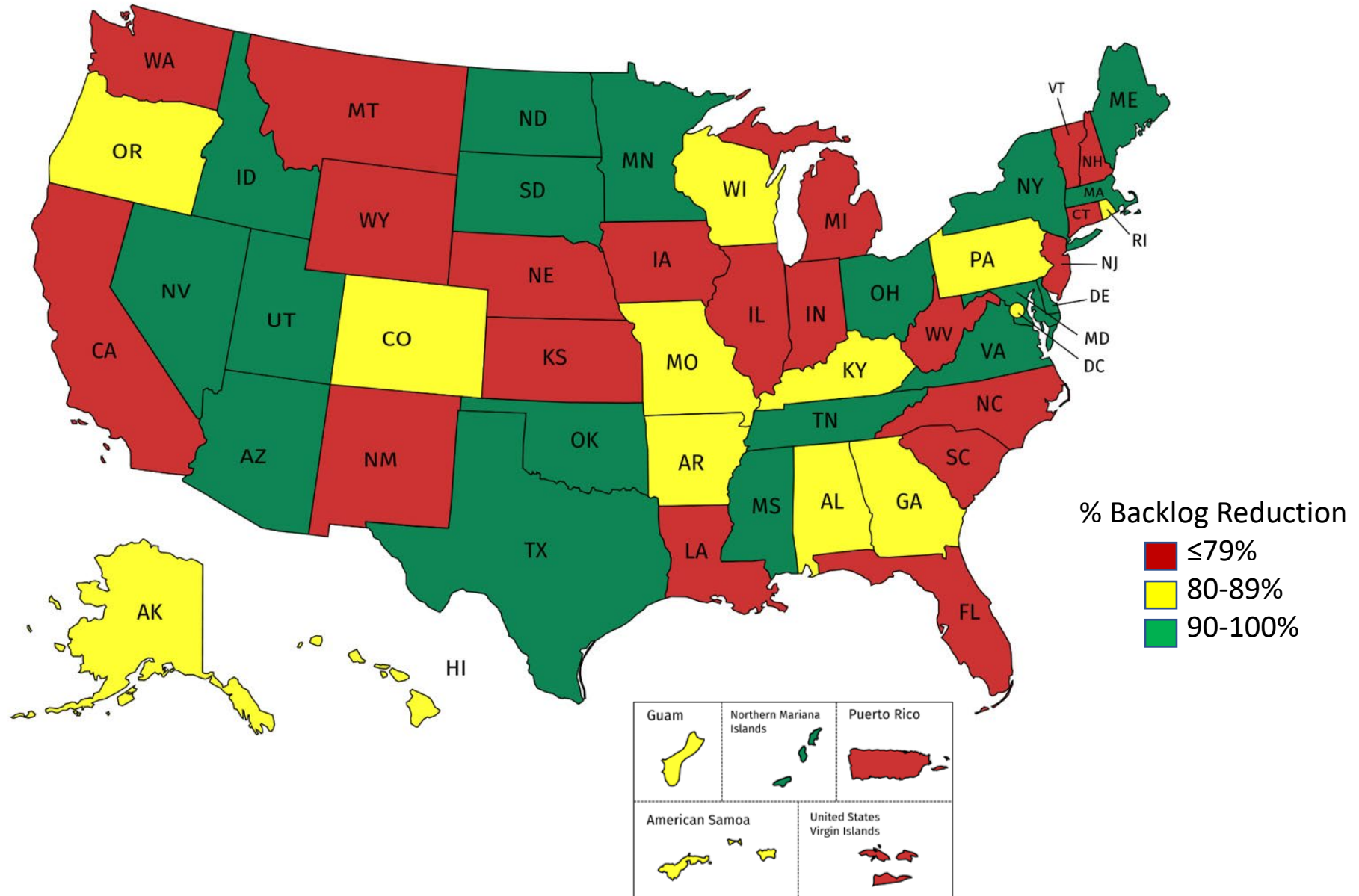
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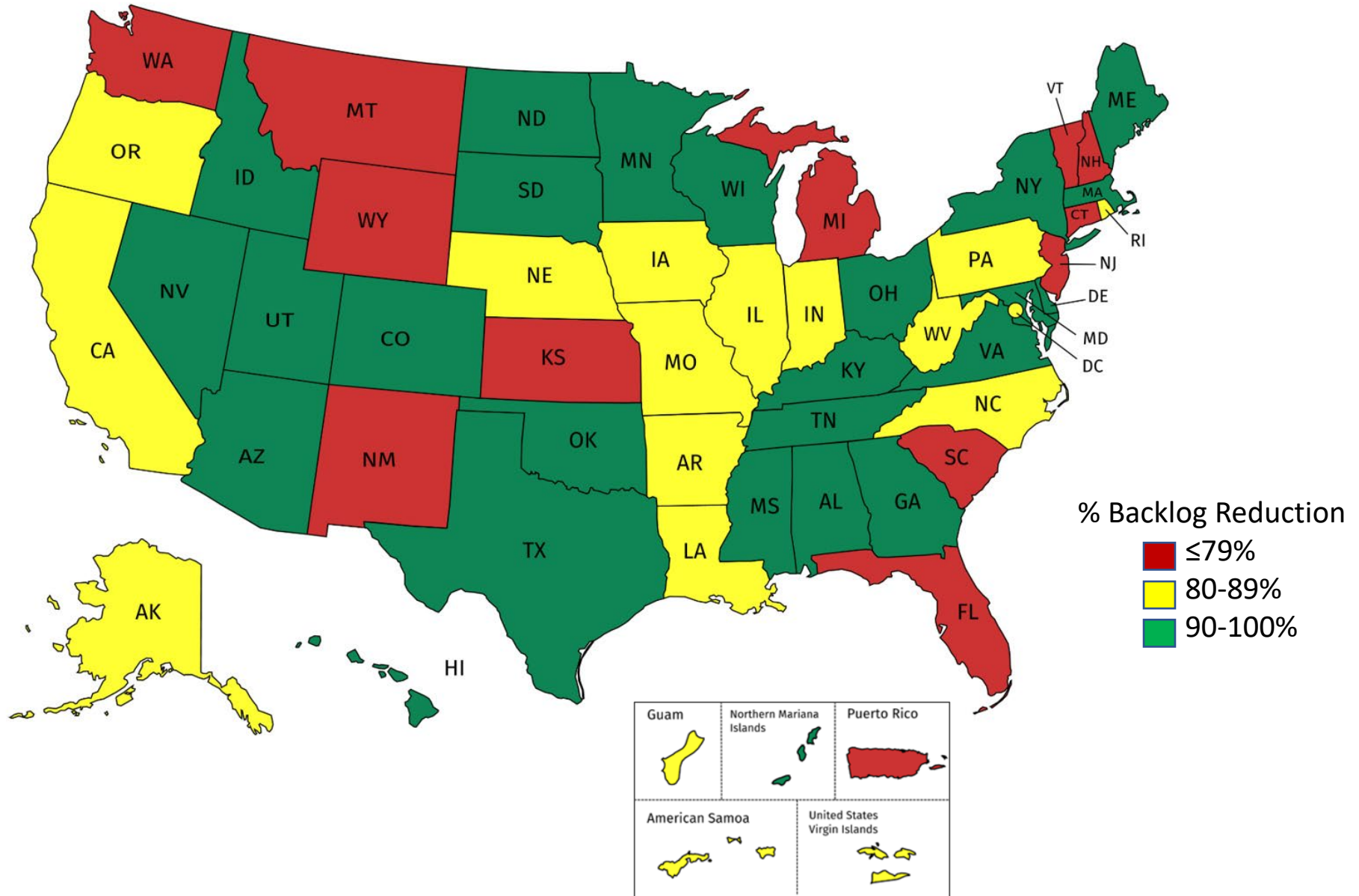
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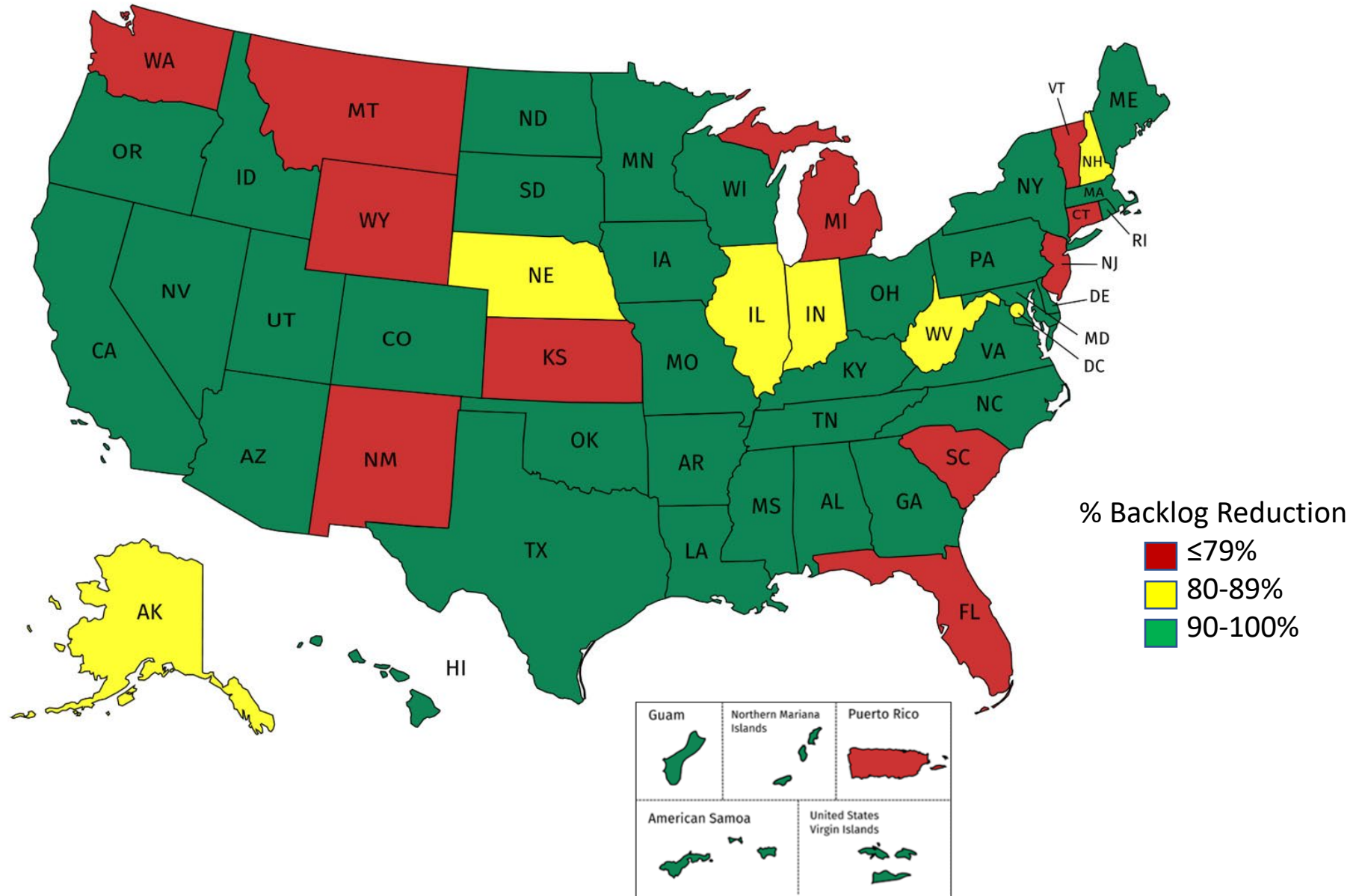
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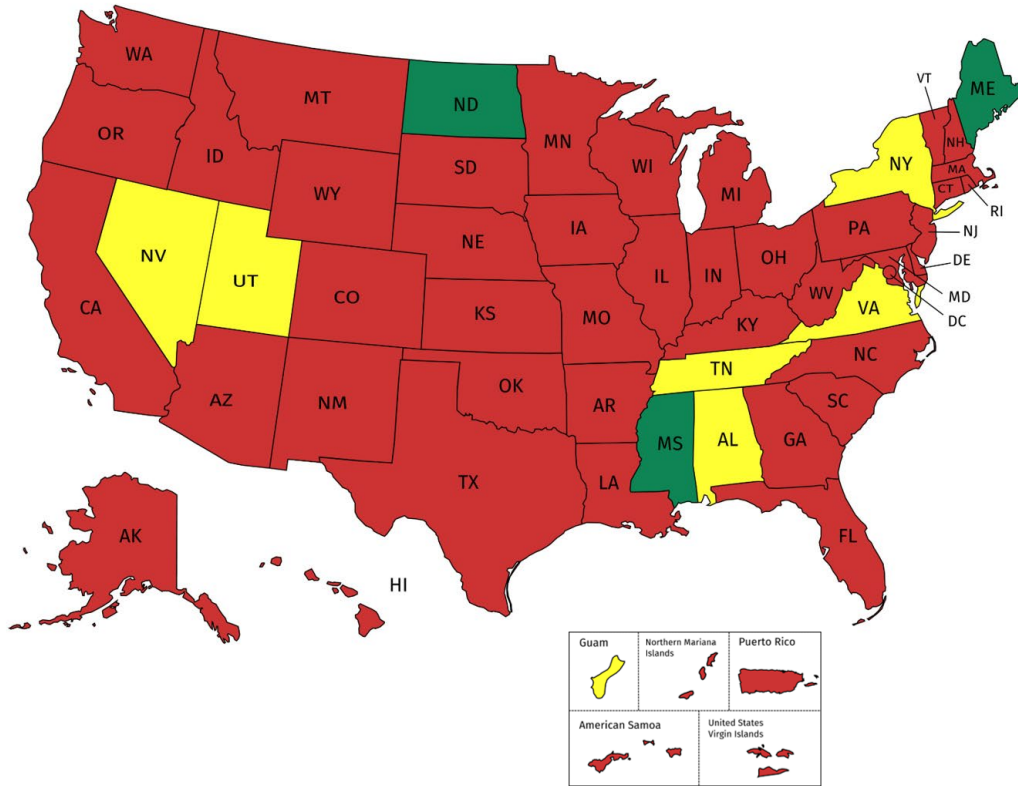
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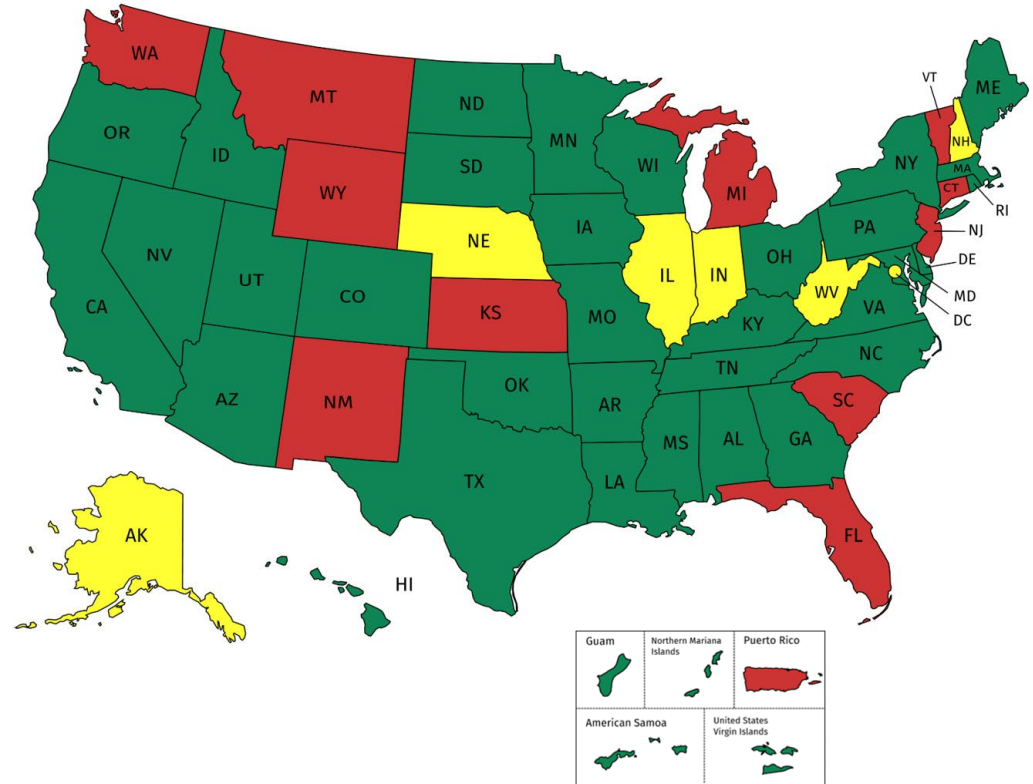
2020



20 Years Of Progress



2000



2020

% Backlog Reduction

- ≤79%
- 80-89%
- 90-100%