

HIV CRIMINALIZATION IN THE UNITED STATES

AN OVERVIEW OF THE VARIETY AND PREVALENCE OF LAWS USED TO PROSECUTE AND PUNISH PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV (PLHIV) IN THE US.

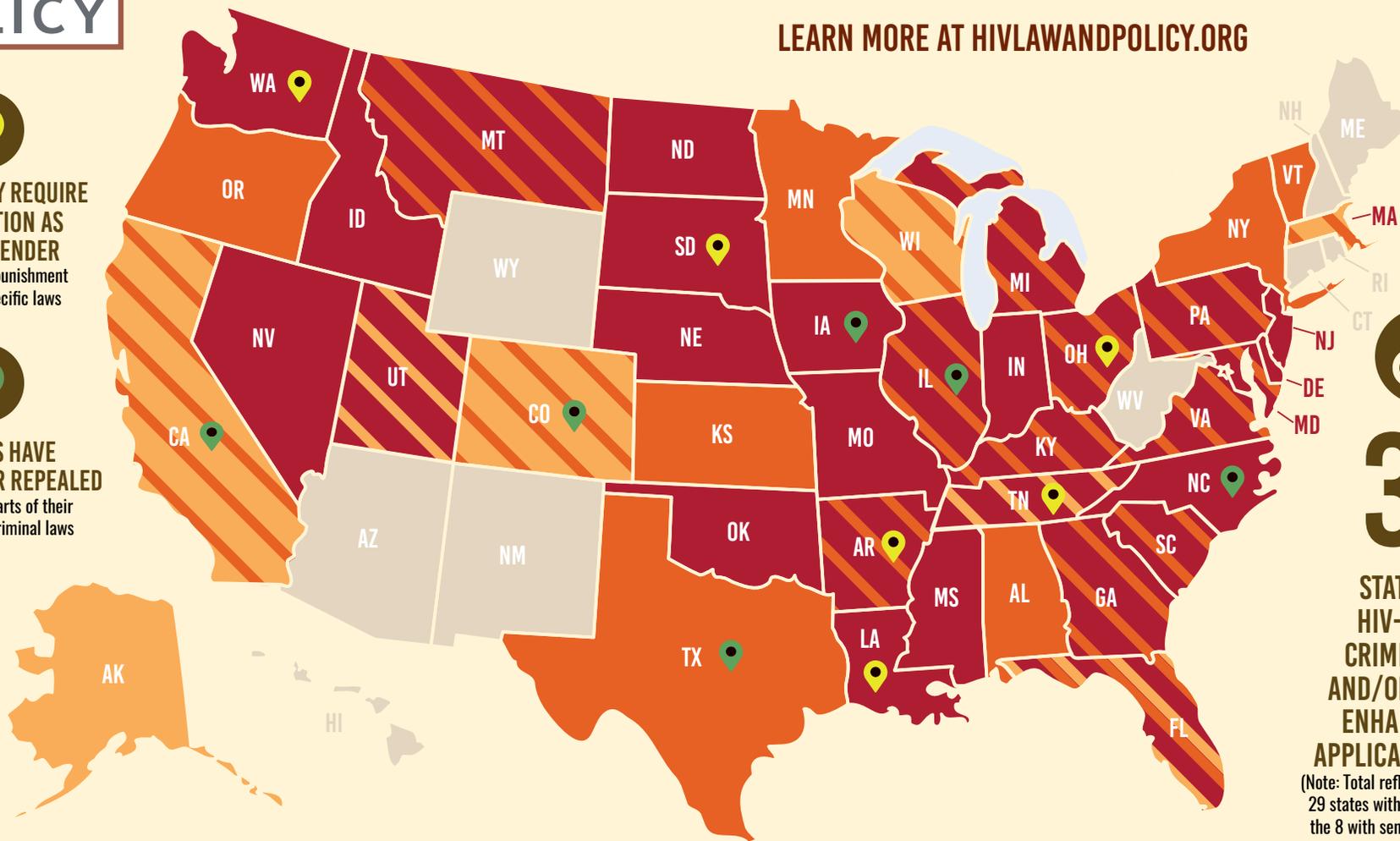
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6 STATES MAY REQUIRE REGISTRATION AS A SEX OFFENDER as part of the punishment under HIV-specific laws



6 STATES HAVE REFORMED OR REPEALED one or more parts of their HIV-specific criminal laws



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STATES HAVE HIV-SPECIFIC CRIMINAL LAWS AND/OR SENTENCE ENHANCEMENTS APPLICABLE TO PLHIV

(Note: Total reflects overlap among the 29 states with HIV-specific laws and the 8 with sentence enhancements.)



STATES WITH HIV-SPECIFIC CRIMINAL LAWS

including laws targeting sex/non-disclosure, exposure to bodily fluids, needle-sharing, sex work, and blood/organ/semen donation



STATES WITH SENTENCING ENHANCEMENTS

applicable to PLHIV who commit an underlying sexual assault crime.



STATES THAT HAVE PROSECUTED PLHIV UNDER NON-HIV-SPECIFIC, GENERAL CRIMINAL LAWS

(this number represents known prosecutions within the last 10 years)