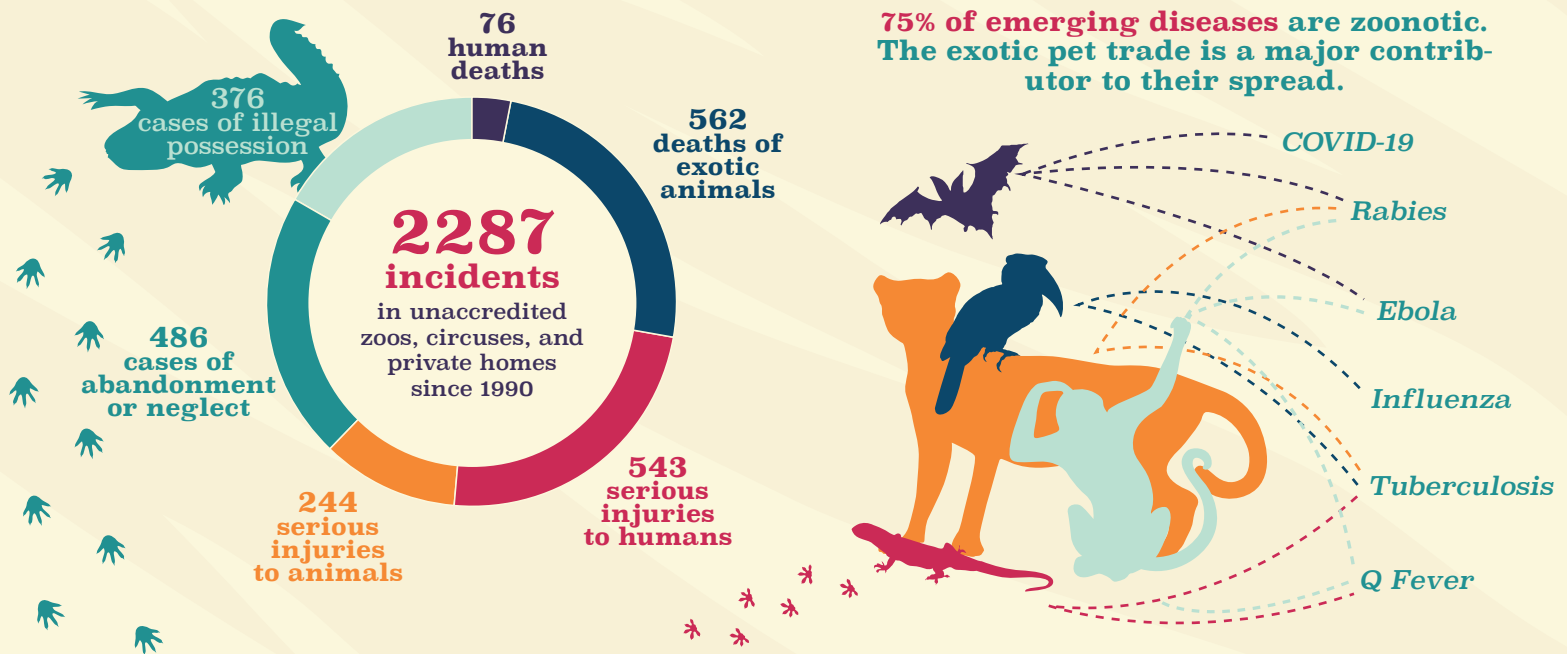


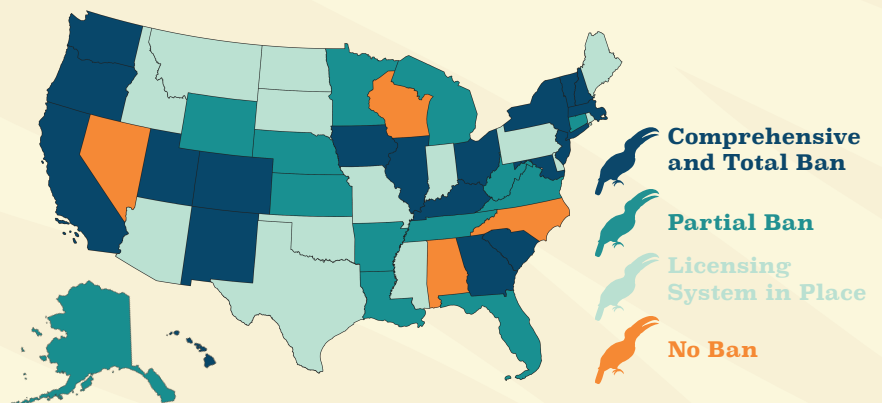
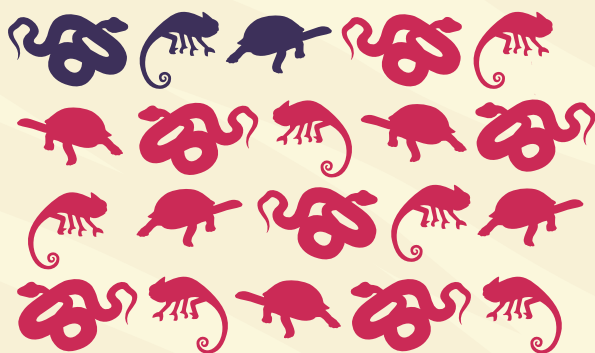
# TOLL OF THE TRADE

The international exotic pet trade is worth up to **\$42.8 billion dollars** per year. About **\$20 billion** of that trade is illegal. Read on to learn how the exotic pet market harms humans, animals, and the environment.



85% of invasive reptile species in Florida alone were introduced through the exotic pet trade.

Only four states have no state-wide laws regulating the possession of exotic animals.



In recent years, politicians have created several bills to **stop the exploitation of wild animals in captivity**. Of the five most recent federal bills, only the **Big Cat Public Safety Act** has passed.

