

A Horrible Hundred

Selected Puppy Mills in the United States

This is a partial list of problem puppy mills, not a list of all puppy mills. Numbers are for reference purposes and are not a ranking by severity. See the full report.

The facilities listed in the report were selected based upon a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the number and severity of state and/or federal animal welfare violations (available via public records), HSUS research and investigations, and whether or not the facility was believed to be in business at the time of publication.

ARKANSAS

- Barbara Gullett/Gullett Kennel Russellville, AR: Dog died after tied to pickup truck
- 2. Tanni Morris/Tanni's Precious Paws— Charleston, AR: Dogs with open and bloody lesions and an overpowering stench
- Gerald Watts- Marshall, AR: Repeated failure to provide veterinary care
- 4. **Sarah Young/Cedar Springs Kennel** Hardy, AR: Dead and dismembered puppies

CALIFORNIA

Jenny Um/Best Kennel

Littlerock, CA: Not the best.

GEORGIA

6. **Kathryn Barber/K-Bar Kennels**—Patterson, GA: Dying puppies sold at flea market

ILLINOIS

- 7. **Philip Chupp/Oak Valley Kennel** McLeansboro, IL: Dogs matted from head to toe
- Tammy Coglainese/Puppy Parlor (aka Poochie Puppy Parlor) – Lisle, IL: Pet store with a puppy mill on the side; dogs found crammed into stacked wire cages

INDIANA

- 9. **Marlin Bontrager** Rome City, IN: "Prolonged suffering" in weak puppy
- 10. Elam Fisher/Morgan Creek Kennel— Williamsburg, IN: Dogs with swellings and ulcerations

- 11. Kathryn and Vernon Lambright/Clearspring Kennels-Wolcottville, IN: Oozing neck wound went unnoticed
- 12. Elmer Lapp/Pine Hill Kennel— Hagerstown IN: Bloody puppies and wormy food
- 13. **Steven Lapp** Modoc, IN: Kennel "Overrun with mice"; cutting off puppies' tails
- 14. Larry Miller/Railside Canine— Millersburg, IN: Blind puppy with "scratches and wounds all over its head" and puppy with missing eye

<u>IOWA</u>

- 15. **David and Joane Cline** Sully, IA: Received official USDA warning
- 16. Doug and Wendie Dettbarn/Purple Heart Kennel - Strawberry Point, IA: Dogs in need of vet care, including one with a "mass the size of a baseball" per USDA
- 17. **Gary Felts/Black Diamond Kennel** Kingsley, IA: Fined \$18,000 by USDA
- 18. Connie and Harold Johnson/CW's Quaint
 Critters— Melvin, IA: Sick dogs, repeat violations
- 19. **Kenneth and Leatrice McGuire** North English, IA: No vet visit for almost three years
- 20. **Debra Pratt** New Sharon, IA- Dogs with bulging eyes; one dog's head covered in scabs



Dogs rescued from Royal Acres Kennel in Magnolia, NC, were suffering from a variety of medical problems, but authorities declined to press charges. This dog and 57 others were saved, but the business is still in operation. /HSUS 2013

- 21. Lennie and Lonnie Rumley/Tripple [sic] L
 Kennels- Leon, IA: Flies and filthy conditions
- 22. **Linda Thorpe/Sky Blue Ranch, Inc**. –Winterset, IA: Dog found dead in her cage

KANSAS

- 23. Larry and Yvette Bolz/B & S Kennels— Olpe, KS: Very sick puppy not taken to a vet all week
- 24. **Marla and Roger Campbell** Newton, KS: "Very thin" mother dogs and filthy conditions per USDA
- 25. Kathy and William Clarke/Clarke's Hillside Kennel Yates Center, KS: Had dogs put down rather than provide treatment
- 26. **Tim Deters**–Baileyville, KS –Dogs with bloody and swollen paws standing on wire flooring
- 27. **Dianne Dick/Puppie [sic] Trails Kennels**Rossville, KS: "Emaciated" and sickly dogs
- 28. Justin and LaNae Jackson/Jackson Kennels— Clifton, KS: More than 600 dogs
- Darlene and Charlene Koster/Rainbow Ranch Kennel-Minneapolis, KS: Received official warning from USDA for animal welfare violations
- 30. **Keith and Lila Ratzlaff** Canton, KS: "Extremely thirsty" dogs without water in 90+ degrees
- 31. Audrey Rottinghaus/Wendy Pets-Seneca, KS: Dog's head trapped in broken cage
- 32. **Krystal and Sandra Rottinghaus**—Seneca, KS: Repeat violations for emaciated and limping dogs
- 33. **Helen Shelly/ Shadyhill Kennel** Hiawatha, KS: Multiple dogs in need of veterinary care

MINNESOTA

- 34. Carole and Larry Harries/Harries K-9 Ranch— Alpha, MN: Rodent droppings throughout facility; repeatedly lacking in proper vet care
- 35. **Ted Johnson/Funtime Kennels**—Windom, MN: Urine fumes strong enough to "make the inspector's eyes burn" per USDA
- 36. Wanda Kretzman / Clearwater Kennel Inc. –
 Cushing, MN: 1,100+ Dogs in wire cages; beetles
 crawling in food; urine fumes that "burned the
 eyes"
- 37. **John and Lyle Renner/ Renner's Kennel**–Detroit Lakes, MN: Fined \$5,286 for USDA violations

MISSOURI

- 38. Pamela Baldwin/Samples Creek Kennel–Edgar Springs, MO: "Excessively thin" dogs with ribs protruding
- 39. **Edward Cannon/E. Cannon Kennels**–Novinger, MO: Both a puppy mill and a kitten mill?
- 40. **Tina Carr/Simply Puppies**—Hannibal, MO: Dead dog found outside in the bitter cold
- 41. **Brandi Cheney/Circle B Farms, LLC** Huntsville, MO: Still licensed by USDA after being involved with previously shuttered kennel
- 42. **Kimberly Coleman/TLC's Kennel**-Clinton, MO: Fined \$8,250 by USDA
- 43. Lou Cox/Lou's Country Kennel-Chillicothe, MO: Dogs with ribs protruding; animals outside in 23degree weather

- 44. Marsha Cox/Mar-Don Kennel-Chillicothe, MO: Surfaces covered in feces; dogs in below-freezing cold
- 45. **Kenneth Dake/Dake's Kennel**–Dixon, MO: Accumulations of trash and waste, dogs in the cold
- 46. LeRoy Detweiler/Sunset Ridge Kennel– Princeton, MO: "Thin and listless" dog died of sepsis; dogs exposed to heat index over 114
- 47. **Miriam and Neal Feldkamp**—Lewistown, MO: Injured dogs in need of vet care; puppies coated in grime
- 48. Mary Foster and Cathy Griesbauer/Country
 Pets—Montgomery City, MO: Extremely thin dog
 and reports of sick puppies; Griesbauer was head
 of professional pet association
- 49. **Rhonda Gear/Country Babies**—Galt, MO: Dogs without shelter in 20 degree temperatures, buildings not cleaned in months
- 50. **Beverly Hargis/Hargis' Sunshines Kennel** Hallsville, MO: Injured and limping dogs
- 51. **Renee Horton/Horton Kennel**–Curryville, MO: Dogs walking in diarrhea
- 52. **Wilma Jinson/Jinson Kennel**–Stella, MO: "Obvious veterinary care problems," per USDA
- 53. Wendy Laymon/Shadow Mountain Kennel– Rogersville, MO: Banned from USDA, yet still licensed in Missouri after many state violations
- 54. Rose Marlow/Pet Degree Ranch—Wellsville, MO: Received official warning for violating animal welfare act
- 55. **Tom Nelson/Oak Ridge Pets**–Macon, MO: Dogs with fresh bite wounds
- 56. **Joe Overlease/C & J's Cockers**–Miller, MO: Multiple consumer complaints and state violations
- 57. Valente Rios/Rios Kennel-Galt, MO: Dogs in complete darkness; failure to obtain vet care
- 58. Donald Schrage/Rabbit Ridge Kennel–Edina, MO: Starving dogs, open wounds, performed surgery on puppy without proper sanitation
- **59. Amos Schwartz**–Princeton, MO: Dogs shivering in the cold, underweight dogs and open wounds
- **60. Kaye and William Waddell** Montgomery City, MO: Dog with ulcerated mass went untreated for four months, then euthanized
- 61. **Joyce Young/Young's Ozark Kennel** Pottersville, MO: Puppies with their feet falling through wire floors; thin dogs; dirty food and water

NEBRASKA

- 62. **Barbara Crick/Cricks Kennels** –Burwell, NE: Shot a golden retriever in the head
- 63. **Linda Hager** Crab Orchard, NE: "Not home" six times in a row when inspectors came; two dogs so sick they had to be euthanized

64. Janice and Steph McCutcheon, and Krystal Wulf- Guide Rock NE: Dead mice in puppy room

NEW YORK

- 65. Clara and Dan Byler/Byler's Kennel- Troupsburg, NY: Dogs found in the cold without food/ water
- 66. **Rebecca Graber** Waterloo, NY: Dogs with "raw and bloody" wounds
- 67. **Raymond Hoover/Double R Kennel** Dundee, NY: Cutting off puppies' tails
- 68. Alvin Shirk/A & L Kennels— Dundee, NY: Emaciated and wounded dogs
- 69. **Aaron Zimmerman** Dundee, NY: Urine fumes so strong they hurt inspectors' eyes
- 70. **Nathan Zimmerman** Penn Yan, NY: Repeatedly keeping puppies on dangerous wire floors

NORTH CAROLINA

- 71. Roger and Marilyn Hall/Royal Acres Kennel– Magnolia, NC - 58 suffering dogs removed in February 2013
- 72. Joe and Cynthia Williams/NC Great Danes, aka Promise [sic] Land Danes— Wilson, NC: Big dogs, little food

OHIO

- 73. Harvey Burkholder/H & A Kennels— Shiloh, OH: Sale of underage puppies, dogs needing vet care
- 74. **Tom Coleman/Lone Oak Kennel** Danville, OH: Dogs found dead in kennel; violated a ga quarantine for contagious disease
- 75. Vicky Galle/Purrfect Endings Farms— Mt Vernon, OH: Not a "purrfect" ending for dead dog found in kennel
- 76. **Lanzie "Junior" Horton** Millersburg, OH: Shut down and convicted of animal cruelty in VA, then moved his kennel to Ohio
- 77. **Isaac Martin** Shiloh, OH: USDA inspector noted "this dog is suffering"
- 78. **Dan Mast/Pine Grove Kennel** Millersburg, OH: Six years in a row of veterinary care deficiencies
- David Miller/Clear Springs Kennel
 – Millersburg,
 OH: Sick and injured dogs
- 80. Ervin Raber/Golden View Kennels—Baltic, OH: "Potentially devastating" zoonotic disease; sick and injured dogs
- 81. Jonas Raber/Sunset Kennels— Millersburg, OH: Chose to euthanize 5 dogs rather than provide treatment; dogs found with ulcerations and wounds
- 82. Daniel Schlabach/Evergreen Designer LLC— Charm, OH: Too many violations? Just get a new license!
- 83. **Wayne Troyer** Sugarcreek OH: Dog named Judy shot in the head
- 84. **Abe Yoder/YLA Kennels** Baltic OH: Poodle with a broken jaw is left to suffer

- 85. **Jacob Yoder/Jay Kennels** Millersburg, OH: Death of puppy stuck in wire flooring
- 86. **Owen Yoder** Millersburg, OH: Continued to violate the welfare act standards despite official warnings
- 87. **Roman Yoder** Baltic, OH: Dying puppy denied veterinary care

OKLAHOMA

- 88. Clarence Anderson– Locust Grove, OK: Dog's wound "deep enough to expose the tendons" per USDA inspector
- 89. **Becky and Guy Franks/First Class Puppies**Antlers, OK: No dry place to stand
- 90. **Shirley Machin** Ada, OK: Beagle with torn and mangled face "had to have been in pain and suffering" per USDA inspector
- 91. Connie and Jimmy Jr. West/West's Kennel– Strang, OK: Puppies walking in feces

PENNSYLVANIA

- 92. Henry and Nancy Swarey/BowWow Hollow Pets— Mifflintown, PA: Consumer complaints
- 93. **Marlin Zimmerman/Turkey Hill** East Earl, PA: Dogs living in darkness; state violations

SOUTH DAKOTA

- 94. **Robert Engbrecht/Dakota Kennel** Marion, SD: Violations at last six inspections; dogs in the cold
- 95. **Gary Scheetz/Lakeview Kennels, Inc.** Parkston, SD: Dogs without water, refusing inspections

TEXAS

- **96. Melva Langford** Whitewright, TX: Dogs smeared with feces
- **97.** Pam Sims/Pam's Cockers and Schnauzers— Winnsboro, TX: USDA revoked her license but she's still selling online

WEST VIRGINIA

98. **West Virginia Puppy** –Martinsburg, WV: Unlicensed breeders?

WISCONSIN

99. Gerald Schulz / Pretty Penny Kennel – Plymouth, WI: Years of complaints

WYOMING

100. Sharon Curless/Ruff Pine Kennel – Pine Bluffs, WY: Dogs died without adequate veterinary treatment