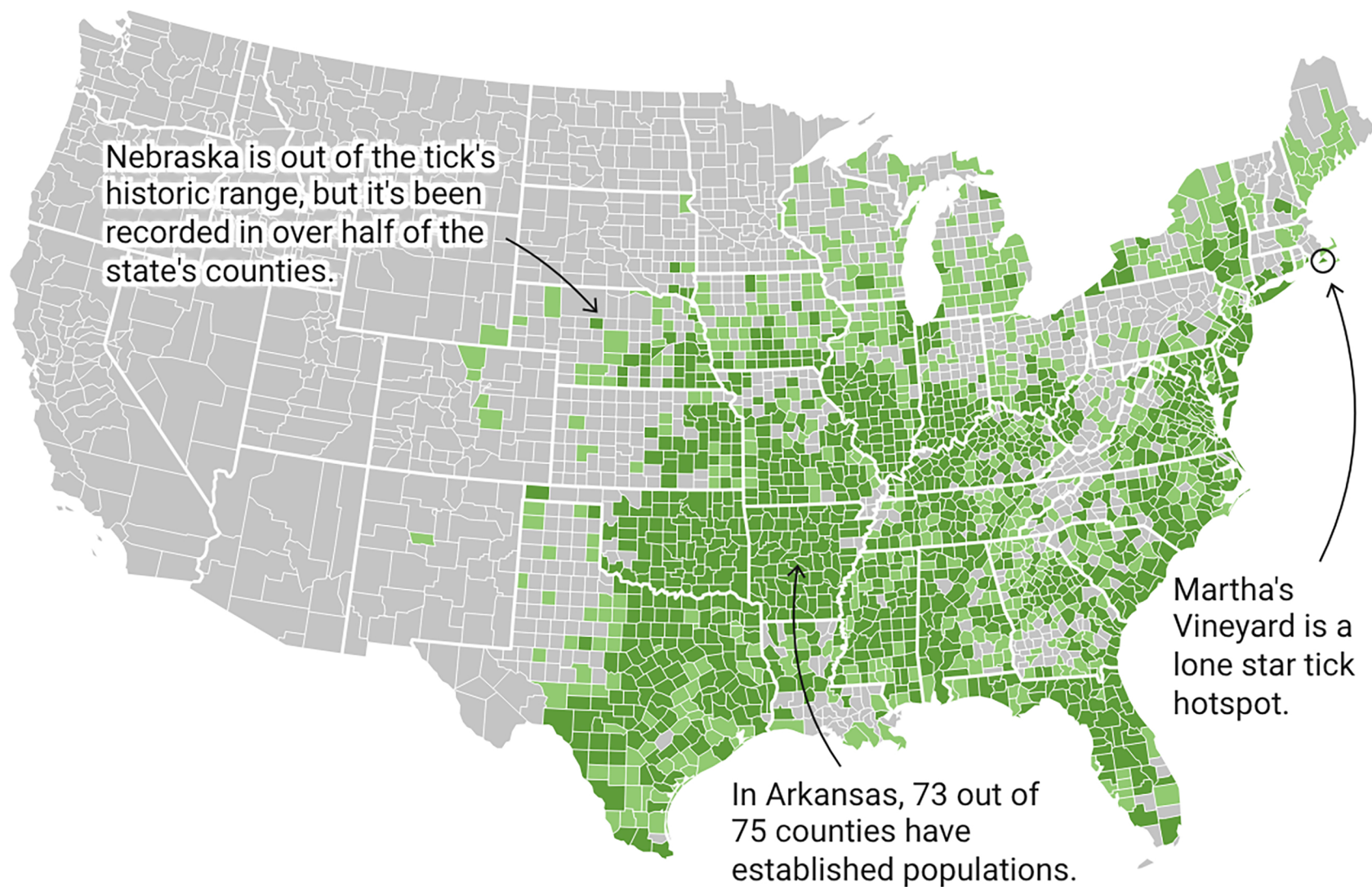


Lone star ticks spread west and northeast

The tick that causes alpha-gal syndrome has long been found in the Southeast. But it's been spreading northward through the Mississippi River basin and as far as New England.

■ Tick Population Established ■ Ticks Found ■ No Ticks Reported



'Established' means six or more ticks of a single life stage, or ticks of more than one life stage, were collected within a year.

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