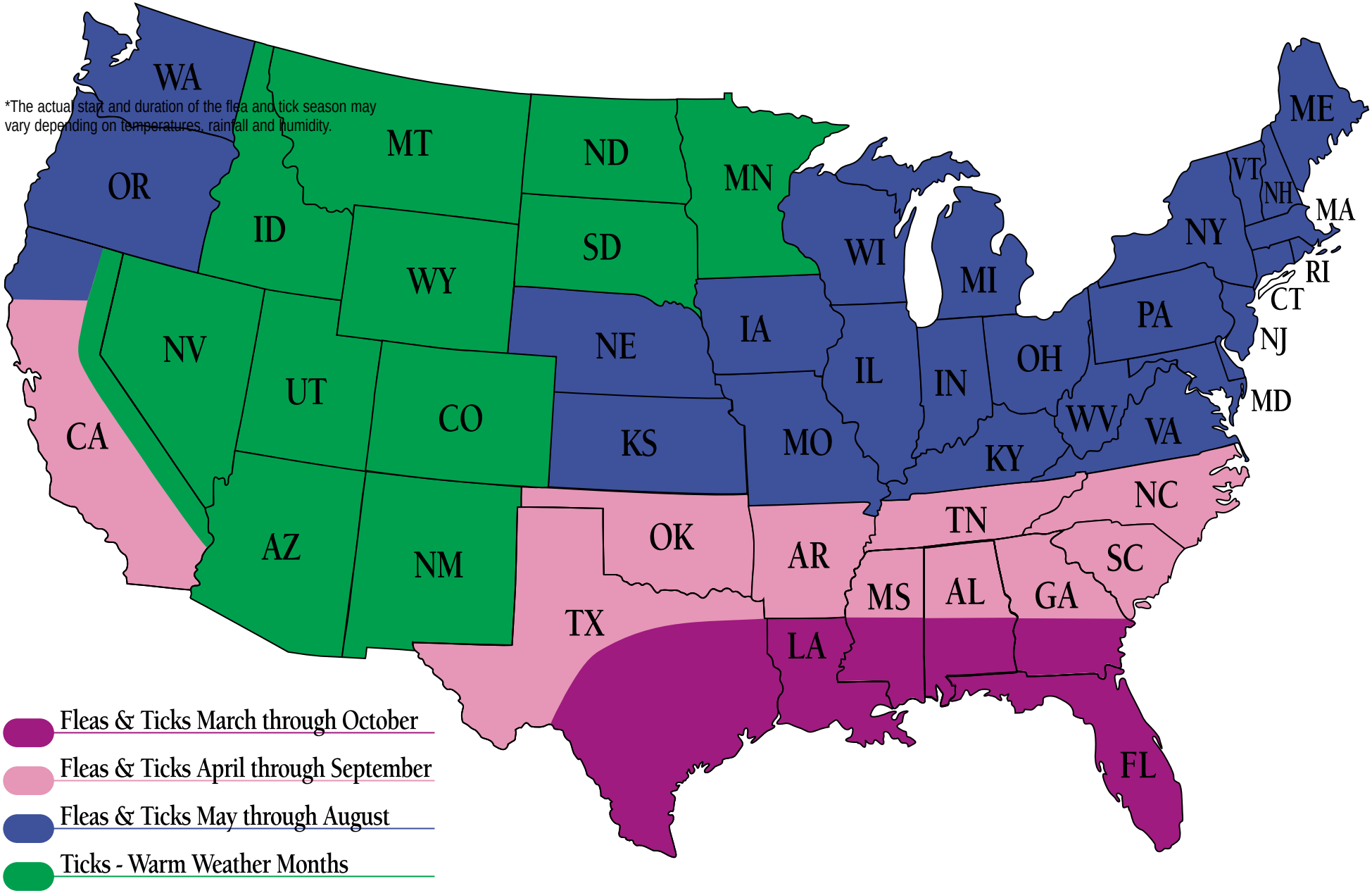THE U.S. FLEA AND TICK SEASON