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STATE STANDING IN RAT CAMPAIGN ANNOUNCED

With eight states and the District of Columbia participating 100 percent in the all-out drive against rats as a means of conserving food, Secretary of the Interior J. A. Krug today urged the cooperation of additional cities of more than 10,000 that are still feeding rats and wasting money.

Led in size by New York City, more than 450 highly important and enthusiastic cities are driving the rats out as they improve health and economic conditions in their communities. The drive is headed by the National Committee for Rat Control consisting of outstanding industrialists vitally interested in eliminating the annual rat bill of two billion dollars and saving food - Feeding People - Not Rats. Technical service for the National drive is provided by Interior's Fish and Wildlife Service and its regional experts.

Percentage ratings of the 48 states follows:

STATE	PERCENTAGE PARTICIPATION	STATE	PERCENTAGE PARTICIPATION
Alabama	100	Nebraska	66 2/3
Arizona	100	Nevada	100
Arkansas	55	New Hampshire	60
California	20.6	New Jersey	33 1/3
Colorado	37.5	New Mexico	20
Connecticut	33 1/3	New York	30
Delaware	100	North Carolina	46
District of Columbia	100	North Dakota	100
Florida	45	Ohio	44
Georgia	20	Oklahoma	38
Idaho	14	Oregon	57
Illinois	31	Pennsylvania	22
Indiana	28	Rhode Island	53
Iowa	28	South Carolina	30
Kansas	30	South Dakota	33 1/3
Kentucky	54	Tennessee	38
Louisiana	100	Texas	70
Massachusetts	22	Utah	100
Michigan	43	Vermont	33 1/3
Minnesota	65	Virginia	60
Mississippi	100	Washington	71
Missouri	40	West Virginia	50
Montana	16	Wisconsin	33 1/3
		Wyoming	75