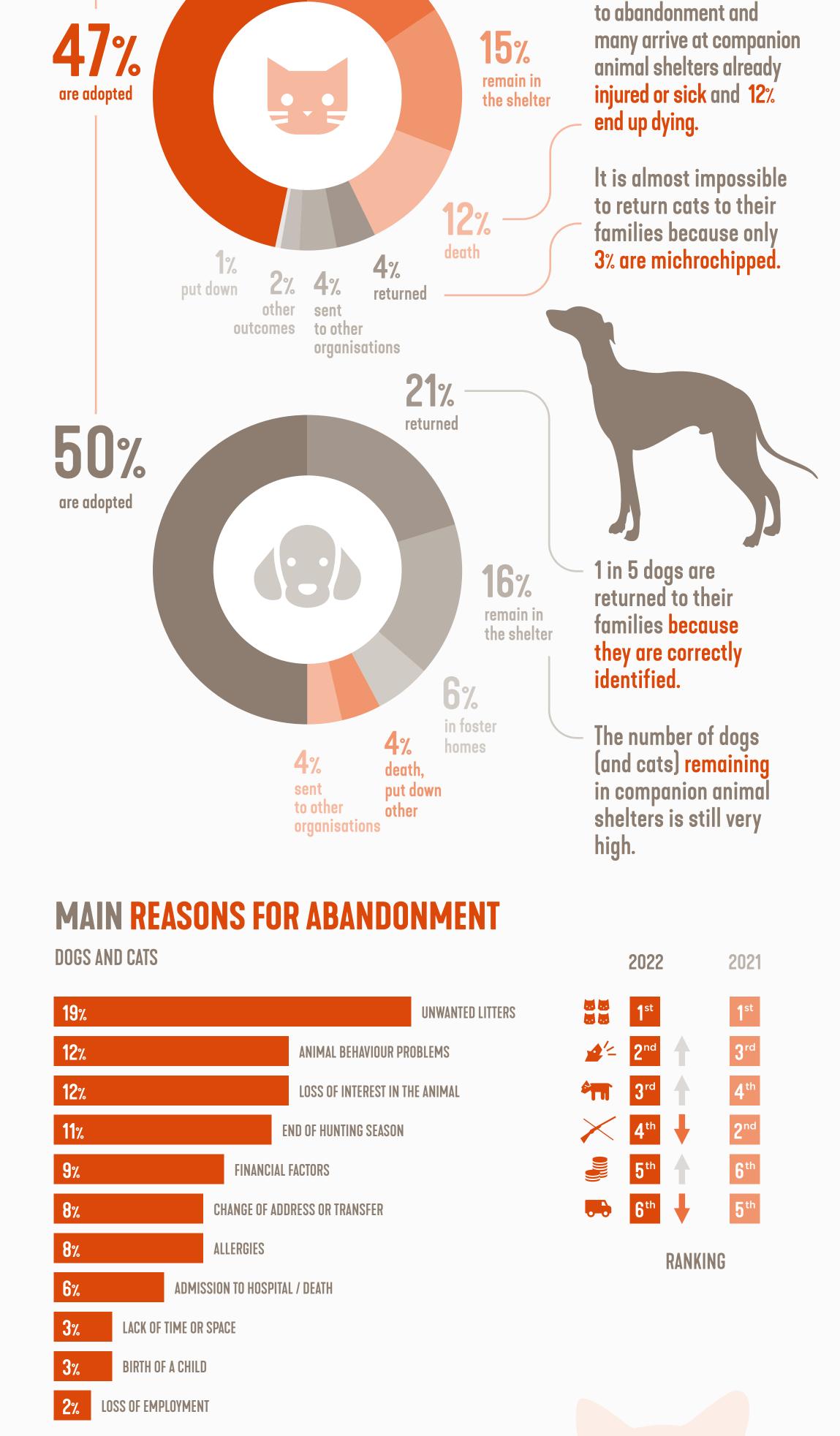
Study They would never do it 2023 **MORE THAN** Approximately the same number of animals as in 2021 DOGS AND CATS TAKEN IN BY THE COMPANION ANIMAL **SHELTERS IN 2022** 33 animals 790 animals **24,000** animals every hour every month every day The number of dogs and cats **DATA ON COLLECTED ANIMALS** taken in by companion animal shelters remains stable 306,506 286,153 288,457 285,554 -6.6% -0.2% 2019 2020 2021 2022 59% 41% Dogs taken in Cats taken in 170,000 118,000 The percentage of cats taken in has been increasing 59% 71,5% 76% since 2007 41% 28,5% 24% 2007 2014 2022 +44,000 An average of Organisations 16 cats managing colonies cats in controlled in each colony of cats 57% colonies managed **DOGS AND CATS TAKEN IN** PER FOUR-MONTH PERIOD 43% 35% 33% 32% 28% 29% 1st FOUR-MONTH 2<sup>nd</sup> FOUR-MONTH 3rd FOUR-MONTH 1st FOUR-MONTH 2<sup>nd</sup> FOUR-MONTH 3rd FOUR-MONTH **PERIOD PERIOD PERIOD PERIOD PERIOD PERIOD** The number of dogs taken in In summer the percentage of cats taken in increases due remains the same in all months to seasonal breeding. of the year. **PROFILE OF THE ANIMALS** Age 43% 48% **ADULTS KITTENS** 9% **SENIOR** Almost half of cats arriving 28% 57% at the companion animal shelters **PUPPIES ADULTS** are kittens unwanted litters. 15% **SENIOR** More than half of the cats taken Health 53% in by companion animal shelters are sick or injured. 15% **INJURED** 38% SICK 47% **HEALTHY** 15% **INJURED** 29% SICK 57% **HEALTHY MICROCHIPPED ANIMALS** Dogs and cats taken in that are properly identified 28% 26% 28% 28% 28% 2018 2019 2020 2022 2021 3% 4% 4% 4% 4% 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 of dogs in of cats in homes are homes are identified identified The percentage of cats taken in that are properly identified remains very low and is not improving, with the result that those that are lost cannot be returned to their families.



16%

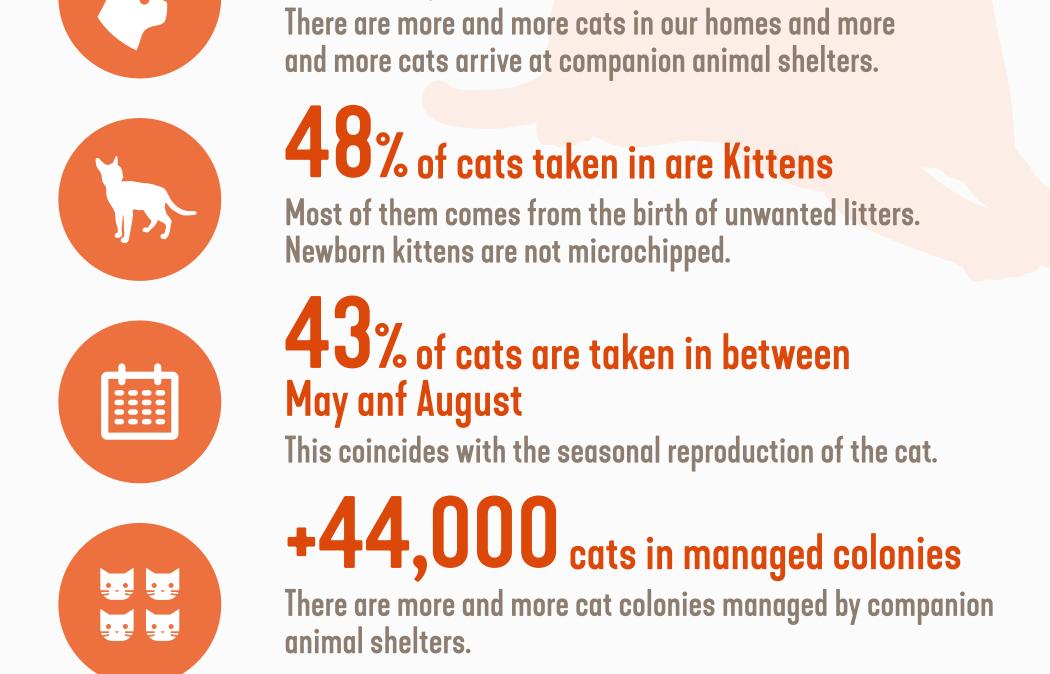
in foster homes

Cats are more vulnerable

**OUTCOME OF ANIMALS TAKEN IN** 

Half of the animals taken in are eventually

adopted.



+118,000 cats taken in

CATS, AN ISSUE OF CONCERN

12% of cats taken in die in companion animal shelters

shelters injured or sick

often deteriorates.

It is important to raise awareness among families to effectively control the reproduction of pets in order to avoid unwanted litters and prevent the massive arrival of puppies and kittens at companion animal shelters. Neutering, identification, education and adoption are the 4 most important strategies to prevent and minimise the impact of pet abandonment.

53% of the cats arrive at companion animal

Lost or abandoned cats are vulnerable and their health



