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Final Top 25 Team Rankings of the Harris Interactive College Football Poll

ROCHESTER, N.Y.—December 2, 2007—Today's **Harris Interactive College Football PollSM** rankings show the **Top 25** results compiled from rankings submitted by the Harris Interactive panel of former coaches, players and administrators, and current and former members of the media. Ohio State and LSU took over the top two spots in the rankings and positioned themselves for the Bowl Championship Game, following losses by last week's highest-ranked teams - Missouri and West Virginia. Oklahoma moved into 3rd place, with Georgia and USC rounding out the top five. Hawaii completed the season as the only undefeated team in the Football Bowl Subdivision.

Highlights of December 2 Harris Interactive College Football Poll

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Previous Game (weekend of Dec. 1)</u>	<u>Next Game</u>	<u>Previous Week's Rank</u>
1	Ohio State (98)	11-1	2,813	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	3
2	LSU (7)	11-2	2,630	Beat No. 15 Tennessee 21-14	Bowl Game TBD	5
3	Oklahoma (6)	11-2	2,520	Beat No. 1 Missouri 38-17	Bowl Game TBD	8
4	Georgia (1)	10-2	2,469	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	4
5	USC	10-2	2,346	Beat UCLA 24-7	Bowl Game TBD	9
6	Virginia Tech (1)	11-2	2,345	Beat No. 12 Boston College 30-16	Bowl Game TBD	7
7	Missouri	11-2	2,117	Lost to No. 8 Oklahoma 38-17	Bowl Game TBD	1
8	Kansas	11-1	2,092	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	6
9	West Virginia	10-2	1,924	Lost to Pittsburgh 13-9	Bowl Game TBD	2
10	Hawaii (1)	12-0	1,903	Beat Washington 35-28	Bowl Game TBD	10
11	Florida	9-3	1,786	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	11
12	Arizona State	10-2	1,628	Beat Arizona 20-17	Bowl Game TBD	13
13	Illinois	9-3	1,400	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	14
14	Boston College	10-3	1,124	Lost to No. 7 Virginia Tech 30-16	Bowl Game TBD	12
15	Wisconsin	9-3	1,079	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	16
16	Clemson	9-3	1,041	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	18
17	Texas	9-3	983	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	17
18	BYU	10-2	912	Beat San Diego State 48-27	Bowl Game TBD	20
19	Tennessee	9-4	870	Lost to No. 5 LSU 21-14	Bowl Game TBD	15
20	Cincinnati	9-3	580	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	21
21	Virginia	9-3	551	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	23
22	Boise State	10-2	541	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	22
23	Auburn	8-4	448	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	24
24	South Florida	9-3	362	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	25
25	Arkansas	8-4	129	Idle	Bowl Game TBD	NR

Number of first place votes shown in parentheses.

Other teams receiving votes: Oregon 125; Air Force 75; Texas Tech 72; Connecticut 52; Oregon State 39; Central Florida 38; Michigan 35; Penn State 11; Kentucky 3; Navy 3; Wake Forest 2; Bowling Green 1; Pittsburgh 1

Dropped out of the Top 25: Oregon

Poll Methodology and Process

The 2007 Harris Interactive College Football Poll is comprised of former players, coaches, administrators and current and former members of the media who have committed to submit rankings for the top 25 college football teams each week. These panelists were randomly selected from among more than 300 nominations submitted by the 11 Division I-A Conference offices and the independent schools. The panel has been designed to be a statistically valid representation of all 11 Division I-A Conferences and independent institutions. Today, 114 poll participants submitted their top 25 college football team rankings.

In 2005 the 11 Division 1-A Conference Commissioners and Notre Dame Athletics Director Kevin White decided not to accept the Harris Interactive recommendation to apply a standard statistical practice that addresses potential instability, error, or bias associated with unusual ranking patterns. This process will remain the same for the 2007 season. Each week Harris Interactive will conduct a thorough verification of the results, and the rankings will stand as submitted.

This week's rankings and other information about the poll can be found at www.harrisinteractive.com/bcspoll and www.bcsfootball.org.

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