

Top 25 Team Rankings from the Harris Interactive College Football Poll

ROCHESTER, N.Y.—November 5, 2006— Today's **Harris Interactive College Football PollSM** shows the **Top 25** results compiled from rankings submitted by its panel of former coaches, players and administrators, and current and former media. Louisville jumps two spots in the rankings up to 3rd after defeating previously 3rd-ranked West Virginia, which fell to 10th overall. Ohio State retains its top ranking.

Highlights of November 5 Harris Interactive College Football Poll

Rank	Team	Record	Points	Previous Game (weekend of Nov. 4)	Next Game (weekend of Nov. 11)	Prev. Week's Rank
1	Ohio State (113)	10-0	2,849	Beat Illinois 17-10	at Northwestern	1
2	Michigan	10-0	2,731	Beat Ball State 34-26	at Indiana	2
3	Louisville (1)	8-0	2,521	Beat No. 3 West Virginia 44-34	at No. 13 Rutgers (Thur.)	5
4	Texas	9-1	2,515	Beat Oklahoma State 36-10	at Kansas State	4
5	Auburn	9-1	2,317	Beat Arkansas State 27-0	Georgia	6
6	Florida	8-1	2,275	Beat Vanderbilt 25-19	South Carolina	7
7	USC	7-1	2,097	Beat Stanford 42-0	No. 20 Oregon	9
8	Notre Dame	8-1	1,994	Beat North Carolina 45-26	at Air Force	10
9	California	8-1	1,948	Beat UCLA 38-24	at Arizona	11
10	West Virginia	7-1	1,743	Lost to No. 5 Louisville 44-34	Cincinnati	3
11	Arkansas	8-1	1,696	Beat South Carolina 26-20	No. 15 Tennessee	12
12	LSU	7-2	1,676	Beat No. 8 Tennessee 28-24	Alabama	13
13	Rutgers	8-0	1,380	Idle	No. 3 Louisville (Thur.)	14
14	Boise State	9-0	1,345	Beat Fresno State 45-21	at San Jose State	15
15	Tennessee	7-2	1,261	Lost to No. 13 LSU 28-24	at No. 11 Arkansas	8
16	Wisconsin	9-1	1,254	Beat Penn State 13-3	at Iowa	17
17	Oklahoma	7-2	1,109	Beat No. 21 Texas A&M 17-16	Texas Tech	18
18	Wake Forest	8-1	853	Beat No. 16 Boston College 21-14	at Florida State	23
19	Georgia Tech	7-2	841	Beat North Carolina State 31-23	at North Carolina	20
20	Oregon	7-2	699	Beat Washington 34-14	at No. 7 USC	22
21	Virginia Tech	7-2	532	Beat Miami (FLA) 17-10	Kent State	24
22	Boston College	7-2	367	Lost to No. 23 Wake Forest 21-14	Duke	16
23	Maryland	7-2	247	Beat Clemson 13-12	Miami (FLA)	NR
24	Texas A&M	8-2	241	Lost to No. 18 Oklahoma 17-16	No. 25 Nebraska	21
25	Nebraska	7-3	174	Beat Missouri 34-20	at No. 24 Texas A&M	NR

Number of first-place votes shown in parentheses.

Other teams receiving votes: BYU 144; Clemson 121; Hawaii 56; Oregon State 28; Missouri 12; Tulsa 11; TCU 6; Washington State 5; Houston 2.

Dropped out of the Top 25: Clemson and Tulsa.

Poll Methodology and Process

The 2006 Harris Interactive College Football Poll is comprised of former players, coaches, administrators and current and former media who have committed to submitting 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.

Last season the 11 Division I-A Conference Commissioners and Notre Dame Athletics Director Kevin White decided to not 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 2006 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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