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

ROCHESTER, N.Y.—December 3, 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. Florida's victory over Arkansas in the SEC Championship Game propelled the Gators past idle Michigan and into 2nd place in the rankings. USC's loss to rival UCLA dropped the Trojans from 2nd to 7th and out of championship game contention. Undefeated Ohio State has maintained a no. 1 ranking throughout the season and will play in the National Championship Game on January 8th.

Highlights of December 3 Harris Interactive College Football Poll

Rank	Team	Record	Points	Previous Game (December 2)	Next Game	Prev. Week's Rank
1	Ohio State (112)	12-0	2,824	Idle	BCS Championship Game, Jan. 8	1
2	Florida (1)	12-1	2,670	Beat No. 8 Arkansas 38-28	BCS Championship Game, Jan. 8	4
3	Michigan	11-1	2,632	Idle	Rose Bowl, Jan. 1	3
4	LSU	10-2	2,372	Idle	Sugar Bowl, Jan. 3	5
5	Louisville	11-1	2,272	Beat Connecticut 48-17	Orange Bowl, Jan. 2	7
6	Wisconsin	11-1	2,229	Idle	Capital One Bowl, Jan. 1	6
7	USC	10-2	2,173	Lost to UCLA 13-9	Rose Bowl, Jan. 1	2
8	Oklahoma	11-2	1,977	Beat No. 20 Nebraska 21-7	Fiesta Bowl, Jan. 1	11
9	Boise State	12-0	1,950	Idle	Fiesta Bowl, Jan. 1	9
10	Auburn	10-2	1,725	Idle	Cotton Bowl, Jan. 1	12
10	Notre Dame	10-2	1,725	Idle	Sugar Bowl, Jan. 3	10
12	West Virginia	10-2	1,485	Beat No. 13 Rutgers 41-39 (3OT)	Gator Bowl, Jan. 1	15
13	Arkansas	10-3	1,483	Lost to No. 4 Florida 38-28	Capital One Bowl, Jan. 1	8
14	Wake Forest	11-2	1,366	Beat No. 22 Georgia Tech 9-6	Orange Bowl, Jan. 2	16
15	Virginia Tech	10-2	1,358	Idle	Chick-fil-A Bowl, Dec. 30	14
16	Rutgers	10-2	1,083	Lost to No. 15 West Virginia 41-39 (3OT)	Texas Bowl, Dec. 28	13
17	Texas	9-3	952	Idle	Alamo Bowl, Dec. 30	17
18	Tennessee	9-3	940	Idle	Outback Bowl, Jan. 1	18
19	BYU	10-2	838	Idle	Las Vegas Bowl, Dec. 21	19
20	California	9-3	736	Beat Stanford 26-17	Holiday Bowl, Dec. 28	21
21	Texas A&M	9-3	551	Idle	Holiday Bowl, Dec. 28	24
22	Nebraska	9-4	352	Lost to No. 11 Oklahoma 21-7	Cotton Bowl, Jan. 1	20
23	Boston College	9-3	318	Idle	Meineke Bowl, Dec. 30	25
24	TCU	10-2	232	Beat Air Force 38-14	Poinsettia Bowl, Dec. 19	NR
25	Georgia Tech	9-4	145	Lost to No. 16 Wake Forest 9-6	Gator Bowl, Jan. 1	22

Number of first-place votes shown in parentheses.

Other teams receiving votes: Oregon State 127; Hawaii 72; Houston 31; Georgia 28; Penn State 28; Clemson 17; Navy 11; UCLA 10; Central Michigan 5; Missouri 4; South Florida 2; Rice 1; South Carolina 1.

Dropped out of the Top 25: Hawaii.

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, 113 panelists submitted their top 25 college football team rankings. One panelist was unable to submit rankings due to a personal situation.

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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