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Top 25 Team Rankings of the Harris Interactive College Football Poll

ROCHESTER, N.Y.—November 11, 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's loss to Illinois dropped it to no. 7, allowing LSU to take over the top spot with 73 first-place votes. Oregon, Oklahoma, Kansas, and West Virginia all moved up one spot in the rankings to complete the top five.

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Team</u>	 Record	<u>Points</u>	Previous Game (weekend of Nov. 10)	Next Game (weekend of Nov. 17)	<u>Previous</u> <u>Week's</u> <u>Rank</u>
1	LSU (73)	9-1	2,742	Beat Louisiana Tech 58-10	at Mississippi	2
2	Oregon (22)	8-1	2,651	Idle	at Arizona (Thur.)	3
3	Oklahoma (9)	9-1	2,580	Beat Baylor 52-21	at Texas Tech	4
4	Kansas (8)	10-0	2,498	Beat Oklahoma State 43-28	Iowa State	5
5	West Virginia	8-1	2,278	Beat Louisville 38-31	at No. 24 Cincinnati	6
6	Missouri	9-1	2,248	Beat Texas A&M 40-26	at Kansas State	7
7	Ohio State	10-1	2,100	Lost to Illinois 28-21	at No. 22 Michigan	1
8	Arizona State	9-1	1,919	Beat UCLA 24-20	Idle	9
9	Georgia	8-2	1,840	Beat No. 18 Auburn 45-20	No. 21 Kentucky	11
10	Virginia Tech	8-2	1,665	Beat Florida State 40-21	Miami (FL)	13
11	Hawaii	9-0	1,641	Beat Fresno State 37-30	at Nevada (Fri.)	10
12	Texas	9-2	1,639	Beat Texas Tech 59-43	Idle	12
13	USC	8-2	1,561	Beat No. 25 California (Cal) 24-17	Idle	14
14	Florida	7-3	1,335	Beat South Carolina 51-31	Florida Atlantic	17
15	Boise State	9-1	1,052	Beat Utah State 52-0	Idaho	19
16	Clemson	8-2	985	Beat Wake Forest 44-10	No. 18 Boston College	20
17	Virginia	9-2	973	Beat Miami (FL) 48-0	Idle	21
18	Boston College	8-2	928	Lost to Maryland 42-35	at No. 16 Clemson	8
19	Tennessee	7-3	655	Beat Arkansas 34-13	Vanderbilt	24
20	Illinois	8-3	542	Beat No. 1 Ohio State 28-21	Northwestern	NR
21	Kentucky	7-3	526	Beat Vanderbilt 27-20	at No. 9 Georgia	23
22	Michigan	8-3	440	Lost to Wisconsin 37-21	No. 7 Ohio State	15
23	Wisconsin	8-3	393	Beat No. 15 Michigan 37-21	at Minnesota	NR
24	Cincinnati	8-2	373	Beat No. 16 Connecticut 27-3	No. 5 West Virginia	NR
25	Penn State	8-3	316	Beat Temple 31-0	at Michigan State	NR

Highlights of November 11 Harris Interactive College Football Poll

Number of first place votes shown in parentheses.

Other teams receiving votes: Connecticut 239; Auburn 115; BYU 85; California (Cal) 24; South Florida 24; Air Force 22; Rutgers 4; Maryland 3; Alabama 2; Central Florida 1; Utah 1.

Dropped out of the Top 25: Connecticut, Auburn, Alabama, California (Cal).

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, 112 poll participants submitted their top 25 college football team rankings. Two panelists could not submit rankings due to personal reasons.

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 <u>www.harrisinteractive.com/bcspoll</u> and <u>www.bcsfootball.org</u>.

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