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Top 25 Team Rankings of the Harris Interactive College Football Poll

ROCHESTER, N.Y.—October 28, 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 received all 114 first-place votes, retaining its number one ranking, after defeating last week's no. 22 Penn State by a score of 37-17. Boston College, LSU, Oklahoma and Oregon retained their respective 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th placed rankings.

Highlights of October 28 Harris Interactive College Football Poll

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Previous Game (weekend of Oct. 27)</u>	<u>Next Game (weekend of Nov. 3)</u>	<u>Previous Week's Rank</u>
1	Ohio State (114)	9-0	2,850	Beat No. 22 Penn State 37-17	No. 21 Wisconsin	1
2	Boston College	8-0	2,665	Beat No. 10 Virginia Tech 14-10	Florida State	2
3	LSU	7-1	2,568	Idle	at No. 17 Alabama	3
4	Oklahoma	7-1	2,451	Idle	Texas A&M	4
5	Oregon	7-1	2,433	Beat No. 7 USC 24-17	No. 6 Arizona State	5
6	Arizona State	8-0	2,291	Beat No. 18 California (Cal) 31-20	at No. 5 Oregon	8
7	West Virginia	7-1	2,232	Beat No. 25 Rutgers 31-3	Idle	6
8	Kansas	8-0	2,047	Beat Texas A&M 19-11	Nebraska	11
9	Missouri	7-1	1,923	Beat Iowa State 42-28	at Colorado	13
10	Hawaii	8-0	1,640	Beat New Mexico State 50-13	Idle	14
11	Texas	7-2	1,514	Beat Nebraska 28-25	at Oklahoma State	16
12	Georgia	6-2	1,507	Beat No. 9 Florida 42-30	Troy	19
13	USC	6-2	1,312	Lost to No. 5 Oregon 24-17	Oregon State	7
14	Virginia Tech	6-2	1,286	Lost to No. 2 Boston College 14-10	at Georgia Tech (Thur.)	10
15	Michigan	7-2	1,283	Beat Minnesota 34-10	at Michigan State	21
16	Florida	5-3	921	Lost to No. 19 Georgia 42-30	Vanderbilt	9
17	Alabama	6-2	891	Idle	No. 3 LSU	24
18	Auburn	6-3	844	Beat Mississippi 17-3	Tennessee Tech	23
19	Connecticut	7-1	829	Beat No. 12 South Florida 22-15	Rutgers	NR
20	South Florida	6-2	602	Lost to Connecticut 22-15	Cincinnati	12
21	Wisconsin	7-2	572	Beat Indiana 33-3	at No. 1 Ohio State	NR
22	Boise State	7-1	394	Beat Fresno State 34-21	San Jose State	NR
23	South Carolina	6-3	322	Lost to Tennessee 27-24 OT	at Arkansas	17
24	Kentucky	6-3	284	Lost to Mississippi State 31-14	Idle	15
25	Wake Forest	6-2	272	Beat North Carolina 37-10	at Virginia	NR

Number of first place votes shown in parentheses.

Other teams receiving votes: California (Cal) 250; Virginia 203; Purdue 194; Clemson 169; Tennessee 127; Penn State 63; UCLA 24; Cincinnati 15; Illinois 15; Kansas State 10; Rutgers 10; BYU 7; Oregon State 5; Texas Tech 5; Troy 5; Air Force 4; Arkansas 4; Oklahoma State 3; Colorado 2; Texas A&M 2

Dropped out of the Top 25: California (Cal), Virginia, Penn State, Rutgers.

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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