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## **Top 25 Team Rankings of the Harris Interactive College Football Poll**

New York, N.Y. — October 27, 2013 — Today's Harris Interactive College Football Poll<sup>SM</sup> shows 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. All of the top five teams in last week's poll won this week and retained their position in the top five. Alabama and Oregon remain in the top two spots.

### Highlights of October 27 Harris Interactive College Football Poll

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Team</u>	Record	<u>Points</u>	Previous Game (weekend of Oct 26)	Next Game (weekend of Nov 2)	Previous Week's <u>Rank</u>
1	Alabama (94)	8-0	2,590	Beat Tennessee 45-10	Idle	1
2	Oregon (10)	8-0	2,492	Beat #11 UCLA 42-14	ldle	2
3	Florida State	7-0	2,386	Beat North Carolina State 49-17	#7 Miami (FL)	3
4	Ohio State	8-0	2,301	Beat Penn State 63-14	at Purdue	4
5	Baylor	7-0	2,130	Beat Kansas 59-14	Idle	5
6	Stanford	7-1	2,035	Beat Oregon State 20-12	ldle	8
7	Miami (FL)	7-0	1,977	Beat Wake Forest 24-21	at #3 Florida State	7
8	Clemson	7-1	1,767	Beat Maryland 40-27	at Virginia	10
9	Missouri	7-1	1,510	Lost to #20 South Carolina 27-24 (2OT)	Tennessee	6
10	Oklahoma	7-1	1,475	Beat #9 Texas Tech 38-30	ldle	14
11	Auburn	7-1	1,453	Beat Florida Atlantic 45-10	at Arkansas	15
12	LSU	7-2	1,408	Beat Furman 48-16	ldle	12
13	Texas A&M	6-2	1,364	Beat Vanderbilt 56-24	UTEP	13
14	Texas Tech	7-1	1,093	Lost to #14 Oklahoma 38-30	#15 Oklahoma State	9
15	Oklahoma State	6-1	1,081	Beat Iowa State 58-27	at #14 Texas Tech	17
16	Louisville	7-1	1,056	Beat South Florida 34-3	Idle	16
17	South Carolina	6-2	1,043	Beat #6 Missouri 27-24 (2OT)	Mississippi State	20
18	Fresno State	7-0	965	Beat San Diego State 35-28 (OT)	Nevada	18
19	UCLA	5-2	683	Lost to #2 Oregon 42-14	Colorado	11
20	Northern Illinois	8-0	650	Beat Eastern Michigan 59-20	at Massachusetts	21
21	Michigan	6-1	528	Idle	at #23 Michigan State	22
22	Central Florida	6-1	502	Beat Connecticut 62-17	ldle	25
23	Michigan State	7-1	391	Beat Illinois 42-3	#21 Michigan	NR
24	Wisconsin	5-2	350	Idle	at Iowa	24
25	Arizona State	5-2	135	Idle	at Washington State (Thur)	NR

Number of first place votes shown in parentheses.

**Other teams receiving votes:** Notre Dame 91; Virginia Tech 79; Oregon State 62; Georgia 50; Texas 40; Houston 38; BYU 19; Florida 13; Minnesota 9; Mississippi 9; Nebraska 8; Ball State 7; Duke 5; Arizona 3; Washington 2.

Dropped out of Top 25: Virginia Tech, Nebraska.

### **Poll Methodology and Process**

The 2013 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 10 Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly Division I-A) offices and the independent schools. The panel has been designed to be a statistically valid representation of all 10 Football Bowl Subdivision conferences and independent institutions. Today, 104 poll participants submitted their top 25 college football team rankings (one panelist did not rank due to personal reasons). Harris Interactive applies a standard statistical practice that allows it to identify potential instability, error or bias associated with unusual ranking patterns. Those rankings that are identified through the analysis are verified to ensure that each panelist's intent is accurately reflected.

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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