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Washington, DC – A new Ipsos poll of college football fans shows Florida as the top team in the country, followed closely by Alabama, Texas and LSU.

However, the Ipsos Fan First Poll shows fan opinion varies by region, with the Northeast and Midwest regions voting Alabama number one, while fans in the West and South choose Florida as the top team.

Now in its second year, the Ipsos Fan First Poll will be published every Thursday until the end of the college football season and then once in January after the bowl games.

Contrary to the standard AP Top 25 or USA Today poll, this is a representative poll of college football fans, not a poll consisting of media or coaches.

Fans, in this poll, are selected in a rigorous multi-stage process. First, a representative sample of US adults is selected from the Ipsos online panel. Of this sample, approximately 60% percent are college football fans (here defined as following in some manner at least 1 college football game in a year). Ipsos then selects “avid football fans,” representing approximately 40% of all football fans (or 23% of the adult population). The definition of “avid football fans” is based on an index of how often the fan watches college football games on television, listens to games on the radio, attends games in person, as well as reads newspaper and magazine articles related to college football.

For this survey, a national representative sample of 2,014 respondents from Ipsos' U.S. online panel were interviewed (1,163 college fans and 464 avid college fans). Weighting then was employed to balance demographics and ensure that the sample's composition reflects that of the U.S. adult population according to Census data and to provide results intended to approximate the sample universe. Statistical margins of error are not applicable to online polls because they are based on samples drawn from opt-in online panels, not on random samples that mirror the population within a statistical probability ratio. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including, but not limited to coverage error, and measurement error.

The Ipsos Fan First Poll (THROUGH WEEK 5)

RANKING	TEAM	LAST WEEK
1	Florida (4-0)	1
2	Alabama (5-0)	2
3	Texas (4-0)	3
4	LSU (5-0)	4
5	Auburn (5-0)	20
6	Boise State (5-0)	5
7	USC (4-1)	7
8	Iowa (5-0)	6
9	Cincinnati (5-0)	9
10	Ohio State (4-1)	8
11	Penn State (4-1)	13
12	Virginia Tech (4-1)	12
13	Wisconsin (5-0)	21
14	South Florida (5-0)	Unranked
15	Kansas (4-0)	10
16	Missouri (4-0)	14
17	TCU (4-0)	19
18	Miami (3-1)	24
19	Oregon (4-1)	23
20	Georgia Tech (4-1)	Unranked
21	Notre Dame (4-1)	Unranked
22	Oklahoma State (3-1)	16
23	BYU (4-1)	Unranked
24	Oklahoma (2-2)	17
25	Ole Miss (3-1)	Unranked

TEAMS THAT DROPPED OUT OF FAN FIRST POLL:

- Michigan (ranked 11 last week)
- Houston (ranked 15 last week)
- Georgia (ranked 18 last week)
- Nebraska (ranked 22 last week)
- California (ranked 25 last week)

RANKING BY REGION:

RANKING	NORTHEAST	MIDWEST	SOUTH	WEST
1	Alabama (5-0)	Alabama (5-0)	Florida (4-0)	Florida (4-0)
2	Florida (4-0)	Florida (4-0)	Alabama (5-0)	Alabama (5-0)
3	Texas (4-0)	LSU (5-0)	Texas (4-0)	LSU (5-0)
4	LSU (5-0)	Texas (4-0)	LSU (5-0)	Texas (4-0)
5	Boise State (5-0)	Ohio State (4-1)	Auburn (5-0)	USC (4-1)

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