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PRESEASON USA TODAY SPORTS WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACHES POLL - 11/3/2021

The USA TODAY Sports Top 25 women's basketball poll, with team's RECORDS FROM LAST YEAR in parentheses, total points based on 25 for first place through one point for 25th, ranking in last year's final poll and first-place votes received.

<b>Rank</b>	<b>School (record)</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Last year's final rank</b>	<b>First-place votes</b>
1	South Carolina (26-5)	768	4	13
2	Stanford (31-2)	763	1	13
2	Connecticut (28-2)	763	3	6
4	North Carolina State (22-3)	670	7	0
5	Maryland (26-3)	661	9	0
6	Louisville (26-4)	642	6	0
7	Indiana (21-6)	558	8	0
8	Baylor (28-3)	495	5	0
9	Oregon (15-9)	475	15	0
10	Michigan (16-6)	470	11	0
11	Iowa (20-10)	440	19	0
12	Tennessee (17-8)	346	16	0
13	Kentucky (18-9)	322	21	0
14	UCLA (17-6)	311	12	0
15	Arizona (21-6)	277	2	0
16	Iowa State (17-11)	258	NR	0
17	Texas A&M (25-3)	251	10	0
18	Oregon State (12-8)	224	NR	0
19	Georgia (21-7)	197	13	0
20	Georgia Tech (17-9)	192	22	0
21	Texas (21-10)	180	17	0

22	South Florida (19-4)	169	18	0
23	West Virginia (22-7)	165	24	0
24	Florida State (10-9)	157	NR	0
25	Ohio State (13-7)	128	NR	0

**Dropped out:** No. 14 Missouri State (23-3); No. 20 Gonzaga (23-4); No. 23 Arkansas (19-9); No. 25 Florida Gulf Coast (26-3) 54.

**Others receiving votes:** Missouri State (23-3) 112; Gonzaga (23-4) 59; Virginia Tech (15-10) 56; Florida Gulf Coast (26-3) 54; Arkansas (19-9) 53; Michigan State (15-9) 28; Rutgers (14-5) 17; Stephen F. Austin (24-3) 16; LSU (9-13) 13; Northwestern (16-9) 13; South Dakota State (21-4) 13; Washington State (12-12) 13; Brigham Young (19-6) 11; North Carolina (13-11) 11; Central Florida (16-5) 8; Colorado (12-11) 8; DePaul (14-10) 5; Mississippi (15-12) 5; Belmont (21-6) 4; Delaware (24-5) 4; Oklahoma (12-12) 4; Notre Dame (10-10) 3; South Dakota (19-6) 3; Houston (17-8) 2; IUPUI (15-5) 1; Seton Hall (14-7) 1; Virginia (0-5) 1.

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