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November 13, 1997

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USA Today/Women's Basketball Coaches Association Division II Basketball Preseason Poll

	<u>Record</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>'97 Finish</u>
1. North Dakota (22)	0-0	598	1
2. North Dakota State	0-0	534	4
3. Southern Indiana (1)	0-0	527	2
4. Bentley, Mass.	0-0	514	6
5. St. Rose, N.Y. (1)	3-0	501	11
6. UC Davis	0-0	446	3
7. Northern Michigan	0-0	435	8
8. Delta State, Miss.	2-1	405	9
9. Nebraska Kearney	0-0	343	10
10. Edinboro, Pa.	0-0	341	15
11. West Texas A&M	0-0	307	5
12. Abilene Christian, Tex.	0-0	284	13
13. Bowie State, Md.	0-0	250	14
14. Kennesaw State, Ga.	0-0	238	7
15. Arkansas Tech	0-0	176	NR
16. Minnesota Duluth	2-1	165	NR
17. Missouri Western State	1-2	154	20
18. Stonehill, Mass.	0-0	146	17
19. Seattle Pacific, Wash.	0-0	137	12
20. Fort Valley State, Ga.	0-0	127	25
21. Emporia State, Kan.	0-0	125	NR
22. Cal Poly Pomona	0-0	117	NR
23. High Point, N.C.	0-0	112	22
24. Shippensburg, Pa.	0-0	99	21
25. Florida Tech	0-0	95	19

Also receiving points: Bellarmine (Ky.) 92; Augustana (S.D.) 68; Wingate (N.C.) 65; Northern Colorado 51; Oakland, (Mich.) 47; Northern State (S.D.) 44; Massachusetts-Lowell 41; Michigan Tech 38; Fayetteville State (N.C.) 33; Kentucky State 27; South Dakota State 25; Montana State-Billings 24; Washburn (Kan.) 13; Longwood (Va.) 12; Saginaw Valley State (Mich.) 11; Central Missouri State 10; Barry (Fla.) 7; Belmont Abbey (N.C.) 3; Metropolitan State (Colo.) 3; Northern Kentucky 2; Philadelphia Textile (Pa.) 2; Fort Hays State (Kan.) 1; Georgia College & State University 1.



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USA Today/Women's Basketball Coaches Association Division II Basketball

(Through Games of Sunday, December 7)

	<u>Record</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Previous</u>
1. Southern Indiana (16)	7-0	589	3
2. St. Rose, N.Y. (4)	9-0	561	5
3. Bentley, Mass. (1)	7-0	541	4
4. North Dakota (3)	6-1	535	1
5. North Dakota State	7-1	481	2
6. Northern Michigan	6-0	452	7
7. Edinboro, Pa.	8-0	423	10
8. Nebraska-Kearney	5-0	415	9
9. Seattle Pacific, Wash.	8-0	368	19
10. Bowie State, Md.	7-0	359	13
11. Emporia State, Kan.	6-0	325	21
12. Arkansas Tech	8-1	271	15
13. Shippensburg, Pa.	7-0	237	24
14. Minnesota-Duluth	8-2	234	16
15. Missouri Western State	7-2	229	17
16. Abilene Christian, Tex.	6-2	213	12
17. Stonehill, Mass.	6-1	208	18
18. Florida Tech	6-0	203	25
19. Bellarmine, Ky.	7-2	152	NR
20. Michigan Tech	4-2	133	NR
21. Kennesaw State, Ga.	6-3	129	14
22. Washburn, Kan.	4-0	116	NR
23. UC Davis	4-3	106	6
24. West Texas A&M	4-2	102	11
25. Delta State, Miss.	6-4	69	8

Dropped Out: No. 20 Fort Valley State, Ga. (3-2); No. 22 Cal Poly Pomona (5-2).

Others receiving votes: Metropolitan (Colo.) 50; Cal Poly Pomona 44; Saginaw Valley State (Mich.); Northern Colorado 40; Central Missouri State 27; Fort Valley State (Ga.) 23; Montana State-Billings 20; Cal State San Bernardino 13; Florida Southern 9; Clark Atlanta (Ga.) 8; Massachusetts-Lowell 8; Arkansas-Monticello 7; Ashland (Ohio) 6; Wingate (N.C.) 6; Belmont Abbey (N.C.) 5; Grand Valley State (Mich.) 5; Millersville (Pa.) 3; Alabama-Huntsville 1.



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USA Today/Women's Basketball Coaches Association Division II Basketball

(Through Games of Sunday, December 14)

	<u>Record</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Previous</u>
1. Southern Indiana (19)	7-0	595	1
2. St. Rose, N.Y. (4)	11-0	577	2
3. Bentley, Mass. (1)	8-0	544	3
4. North Dakota	8-1	523	4
5. Emporia State, Kan.	9-0	514	11
6. North Dakota State	8-1	498	5
7. Northern Michigan	6-0	472	6
Edinboro, Pa.	8-0	433	7
9. Nebraska-Kearney	6-0	429	8
10. Seattle Pacific, Wash.	10-0	414	9
11. Arkansas Tech	9-1	334	12
12. Bowie State, Md.	8-1	269	10
13. Minnesota-Duluth	9-3	260	14
14. Stonehill, Mass.	7-1	251	17
15. Bellarmine, Ky.	7-2	220	19
16. Abilene Christian, Tex.	6-2	210	16
17. Florida Tech	6-0	206	18
18. Shippensburg, Pa.	7-1	188	13
19. Washburn, Kan.	6-0	161	22
20. Michigan Tech	5-2	156	20
21. Missouri Western State	7-3	146	15
22. Kennesaw State, Ga.	9-3	93	21
23. Northern Colorado	5-1	57	NR
24. Delta State, Miss.	7-4	48	25
25. UC Davis	5-3	44	23

Dropped Out: No. 24 West Texas A&M(5-3).

Others receiving votes: West Texas A&M 35, Metropolitan State (Colo.) 33, Grand Valley State (Mich.) 29, Arkansas-Monticello 23, Cal State San Bernardino 18, **Francis Marion, (S.C.) 16**, Central Arkansas 16, Fayetteville State (N.C.) 15, Cal Poly Pomona 14, Central Missouri State 14, Florida Southern 10, Millersville (Pa.) 10, Montana State-Billings 10, Saginaw Valley State (Mich.) 6, Fort Valley State (Ga.) 5, Mankato State (Minn.) 1.



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(Through Games of Sunday, January 4)

	<u>Record</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Previous</u>
1. Southern Indiana (19)	12-0	595	1
2. St. Rose, N.Y. (4)	15-0	579	2
3. Bentley, Mass.	10-0	546	3
4. North Dakota	11-1	518	4
5. Emporia State, Kan.	11-0	485	5
6. Northern Michigan	9-0	482	7
7. Nebraska-Kearney	11-0	448	9
8. Seattle Pacific, Wash.	12-0	437	10
9. North Dakota State	10-2	433	6
10. Bowie State, Md.	11-1	322	12
11. Arkansas Tech	11-2	294	11
12. Stonehill, Mass.	10-2	291	14
13. Florida Tech	11-1	246	17
14. Bellarmine, Ky.	10-3	231	15
15. Edinboro, Pa.	11-3	223	8
16. Northern Colorado	11-1	211	23
17. Michigan Tech	9-3	190	20
18. Missouri Western State	11-3	177	21
19. Minnesota-Duluth	10-5	150	13
20. Abilene Christian, Tex.	8-3	136	16
21. West Florida	12-1	129	NR
22. California State-San Bernardino	14-1	100	NR
23. Shippensburg, Pa.	8-3	89	18
24. Grand Valley State, Mich.	10-0	75	NR
25. Kennesaw State, Ga.	9-4	62	22

Dropped Out: No. 19 Washburn, Kan. (6-4), No. 24 Delta State, Miss. (10-5), No. 25 UC Davis (7-4).

Others receiving votes: Francis Marion (S.C.) 47, Metropolitan State (Colo.) 45, Delta State (Miss.) 38, Florida Southern 35, Washburn (Kan.) 30, UC Davis 23, Central Arkansas 23, Saginaw Valley State (Mich.) 22, West Texas State A&M 13, Montana State-Billings 12, Northern Kentucky 10, Barry (Fla.) 8, Belmont Abbey (N.C.) 7, West Alabama 6, Arkansas-Monticello 5, Shaw (N.C.) 5, Fayetteville State (N.C.) 4, Northwest Missouri State 3, Central Missouri State 2, Central Oklahoma 1, Millersville (Pa.) 1, Virginia Union 1.



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	<u>Record</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Previous</u>
1. St. Rose, N.Y. (22)	16-0	598	2
2. Bentley, Mass.	13-0	567	3
3. North Dakota	13-1	532	4
4. Southern Indiana	13-1	505	1
5. Northern Michigan	11-0	500	6
6. Emporia State, Kan.	13-0	490	5
7. Nebraska-Kearney	13-0	472	7
8. North Dakota State	12-2	440	9
9. Seattle Pacific, Wash.	12-1	388	8
10. Bowie State, Md.	13-1	358	10
11. Stonehill, Mass.	13-2	334	12
12. Arkansas Tech	13-2	309	11
13. Northern Colorado	14-1	288	16
14. Michigan Tech	11-3	233	17
15. West Florida	14-1	216	21
16. Missouri Western State	13-3	196	18
17. Edinboro, Pa.	13-3	186	15
18. Florida Tech	12-2	181	13
19. Grand Valley State, Mich.	13-0	155	24
20. Minnesota-Duluth	12-5	142	19
21. Bellarmine, Ky.	11-4	128	14
22. Abilene Christian, Tex.	10-3	122	20
23. Francis Marion, S.C.	12-1	87	RV
24. Shippensburg, Pa.	10-3	76	23
25. California State-San Bernardino	9-4	62	22

Dropped Out: No. 25 Kennesaw State, Ga. (11-5).

Others receiving votes: Saginaw Valley State (Mich.) 43, Metropolitan State (Colo.) 42, UC Davis 29, Florida Southern 18, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville 18, Montana State-Billings 13, Delta State (Miss.) 12, Central Oklahoma 11, Northern Kentucky 11, Virginia Union 7, Belmont Abbey (N.C.) 5, Northwest Missouri State 4, Washburn (Kan.) 4, Alderson-Broadus (W. Va.) 3, Central Arkansas 3, Lincoln Memorial (Tenn.) 2, West Texas A&M 2, West Alabama 1.



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(Through Games of Sunday, January 18)

	<u>Record</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Previous</u>
1. St. Rose, N.Y. (21)	19-0	597	1
2. Bentley, Mass. (1)	16-0	572	2
3. North Dakota (1)	15-1	540	3
4. Southern Indiana (1)	14-1	521	4
5. Emporia State, Kan.	15-0	491	6
6. Nebraska-Kearney	15-0	468	7
7. Seattle Pacific, Wash.	14-1	438	9
8. Northern Michigan	12-1	417	5
9. Bowie State, Md.	14-1	367	10
10. North Dakota State	13-3	355	8
11. Northern Colorado	15-1	344	13
12. Arkansas Tech	15-2	328	12
13. Stonehill, Mass.	14-3	303	11
14. West Florida	16-1	290	15
15. Grand Valley State, Mich.	15-0	235	19
16. Michigan Tech	12-4	200	14
17. Florida Tech	14-2	189	18
18. Saginaw Valley State, Mich.	15-1	164	NR
19. Bellarmine, Ky.	13-4	138	21
20. Missouri Western State	15-4	126	16
21. Francis Marion, S.C.	14-1	103	23
22. Abilene Christian, Tex.	12-3	98	22
23. Edinboro, Pa.	14-4	95	17
24. California State-San Bernardino	17-2	89	25
25. Shippensburg, Pa.	12-3	87	24

Dropped Out: No. 20 Minnesota-Duluth (13-6).

Others receiving votes: Minnesota-Duluth 64, Florida Southern 37, Metropolitan State (Colo.) 30, Virginia Union 30, UC-Davis 25, Northern Kentucky 17, Montana State-Billings 12, Belmont Abbey (N.C.) 10, Delta State (Miss.) 6, Arkansas-Monticello 5, Southwest Baptist (Mo.) 4, Alderson-Broadus (W. Va.) 1, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville 1.



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(Through Games of Sunday, January 25)

	<u>Record</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Previous</u>
1. St. Rose, N.Y. (22)	21-0	598	1
2. Bentley, Mass. (1)	18-0	573	2
3. North Dakota (1)	17-1	548	3
4. Emporia State, Kan.	17-0	521	5
5. Southern Indiana	16-1	518	4
6. Seattle Pacific, Wash.	17-1	461	7
7. Northern Michigan	14-1	449	8
8. Nebraska-Kearney	16-1	413	6
9. Bowie State, Md.	16-1	384	9
10. North Dakota State	15-3	374	10
11. Arkansas Tech	17-2	360	12
12. Stonehill, Mass.	16-3	309	13
13. Northern Colorado	15-3	291	11
14. Grand Valley State, Mich.	16-1	278	15
15. Saginaw Valley State, Mich.	16-1	260	18
16. Francis Marion, S.C.	16-1	219	21
17. West Florida	17-2	199	14
18. Abilene Christian, Tex.	13-3	152	22
19. California State-San Bernardino	18-2	146	24
20. Michigan Tech	13-5	131	16
21. Florida Tech	16-2	126	17
22. Edinboro, Pa.	15-4	93	23
23. Shippensburg, Pa.	14-3	84	25
24. Bellarmine, Ky.	14-5	76	19
25. Minnesota-Duluth	15-6	37	RV

Dropped Out: No. 20 Missouri Western State (15-6).

Others receiving points: Delta State (Miss.) 26, Southwest Baptist (Mo.) 24, Virginia Union 23, Belmont Abbey (N.C.) 22, Missouri Western State 21, Lewis (Ill.) 16, UC Davis 14, Montana State-Billings 14, Alderson-Broaddum (W. Va.) 13, Northwest Missouri State 9, Arkansas-Monticello 6, Florida Southern 6, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville 6, West Texas A&M 2.



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February 2, 1998

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(Through Games of Sunday, February 1)

	<u>Record</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Previous</u>
1. St. Rose, N.Y. (22)	23-0	598	1
2. North Dakota (1)	19-1	565	3
3. Emporia State, Kan.	19-0	555	4
4. Southern Indiana	18-1	525	5
5. Bentley, Mass.	19-1	503	2
6. Seattle Pacific, Wash.	19-1	474	6
7. Northern Michigan	17-1	440	7
8. Nebraska-Kearney	19-1	431	8
9. North Dakota State	17-3	397	10
10. Bowie State, Md.	18-1	373	9
11. Stonehill, Mass.	18-3	333	12
12. Northern Colorado	17-3	301	13
13. Grand Valley State, Mich.	18-1	295	14
14. Arkansas Tech	17-3	282	11
15. West Florida	18-2	268	17
16. Abilene Christian, Tex.	16-3	199	18
17. California State-San Bernardino	19-2	191	19
18. Francis Marion, S.C.	19-2	173	16
19. Florida Tech	18-2	164	21
20. Saginaw Valley State, Mich.	16-3	148	15
21. Shippensburg, Pa.	16-3	116	23
22. Edinboro, Pa.	17-4	83	22
23. Bellarmine, Ky.	17-5	76	24
24. Michigan Tech	14-6	68	20
25. Delta State, Miss.	18-5	55	RV

Dropped Out: No. 25 Minnesota-Duluth (16-6).

Others receiving points: Minnesota-Duluth 48, Virginia Union 25, Lewis (Ill.) 18, Columbus State (Ga.) 16, Montana State-Billings 15, UC Davis 13, Alderson-Broadbent (W.Va.) 11, Belmont Abbey (N.C.) 8, Arkansas-Monticello 6, Metropolitan State (Colo.) 6, Missouri Western State 6, Northwest Missouri State 5, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville 1.



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	<u>Record</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Previous</u>
1. St. Rose, N.Y. (22)	25-0	598	1
2. North Dakota (1)	21-1	569	2
3. Emporia State, Kan.	21-0	555	3
4. Southern Indiana (1)	20-1	530	4
5. Bentley, Mass.	21-1	479	5
6. Seattle Pacific, Wash.	21-1	476	6
7. Nebraska-Kearney	20-1	457	8
8. North Dakota State	19-3	418	9
9. Bowie State, Md.	20-1	384	10
10. Northern Michigan	18-2	382	7
11. Grand Valley State, Mich.	19-1	351	13
12. Stonehill, Mass.	19-3	347	11
13. Arkansas Tech	19-3	307	14
14. West Florida	20-2	305	15
15. Abilene Christian, Tex.	19-3	254	16
16. Francis Marion, S.C.	21-2	215	18
17. Shippensburg, Pa.	19-3	179	21
18. Northern Colorado	17-5	158	12
19. California State-San Bernardino	20-3	147	17
20. Saginaw Valley State, Mich.	17-4	127	20
21. Florida Tech	19-3	123	19
22. Michigan Tech	16-6	86	24
23. Delta State, Miss.	19-6	49	25
24. Lewis, Ill.	20-2	42	RV
25. Virginia Union	19-2	40	RV

Dropped Out: No. 22 Edinboro (Pa.) 17-6, No. 23 Bellarmine (Ky.) 17-7.

Others receiving points: Montana State-Billings 20, Central Arkansas 19, Minnesota-Duluth 18, Alderson-Broadus (W.Va.) 16, Columbus State (Ga.) 16, Florida Southern 15, Missouri Western State 15, Edinboro (Pa.) 11, Bellarmine (Ky.) 11, Arkansas-Monticello 10, Belmont Abbey (N.C.) 9, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville 9, UC Davis 8, Northern State (S.D.) 8, Quincy (Ill.) 8, West Alabama 7, Fort Valley State (Ga.) 6, Metropolitan State (Colo.) 5, Southwest Baptist (Mo.) 5, West Texas A&M 3, Cal Poly Pomona 1, Central Oklahoma 1, Northern Kentucky 1.



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1. St. Rose, N.Y. (21)	26-0	597	1
2. North Dakota (2)	23-1	573	2
3. Emporia State, Kan.	24-0	554	3
4. Southern Indiana (1)	22-1	530	4
5. Bentley, Mass.	23-1	503	5
6. North Dakota State	21-3	472	8
7. Bowie State, Md.	23-1	434	9
8. Northern Michigan	20-2	422	10
T9. Nebraska-Kearney	22-2	406	7
T9. Seattle Pacific, Wash.	22-2	406	6
11. West Florida	22-2	358	14
12. Stonehill, Mass.	20-4	309	12
13. Abilene Christian, Tex.	21-3	289	15
14. Francis Marion, S.C.	23-2	268	16
15. Grand Valley State, Mich.	20-3	247	11
16. Arkansas Tech	20-4	242	13
17. Shippensburg, Pa.	21-3	229	17
18. Northern Colorado	18-5	175	18
19. Saginaw Valley State, Mich.	19-4	151	20
20. Lewis, Ill.	22-2	114	24
21. Virginia Union	21-2	93	25
22. California State-San Bernardino	21-4	83	19
23. Metropolitan State, Colo.	20-4	69	NR
24. Florida Southern	20-4	52	NR
25. Montana State-Billings	18-6	37	RV

Dropped Out: No. 21 Florida Tech (19-5), No. 22 Michigan Tech (17-7), No. 23 Delta State, Miss. (20-7).

Others receiving points: Michigan Tech 32, Alderson-Broadus (W. Va.) 28, Arkansas-Monticello 20, Florida Tech 19, Delta State (Miss.) 16, Missouri Western State 16, Minnesota-Duluth 15, Fort Valley State (Ga.) 9, UC Davis 8, **Columbus State (Ga.) 7**, Belmont Abbey (N.C.) 6, Central Arkansas 3, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville 3, Southwest Baptist (Mo.) 3, Central Missouri 2, Ferris State (Mich.) 2.



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USA Today/Women's Basketball Coaches Association Division II Basketball

(Through Games of Sunday, February 22)

	<u>Record</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Previous</u>
1. St. Rose, N.Y. (21)	29-0	597	1
2. North Dakota (2)	25-1	572	2
3. Emporia State, Kan.	26-0	555	3
4. Southern Indiana (1)	24-1	531	4
5. Bentley, Mass.	25-1	504	5
6. Bowie State, Md.	24-1	465	7
7. Nebraska-Kearney	24-2	435	T9
8. Seattle Pacific, Wash.	24-2	430	T9
9. North Dakota State	22-4	401	6
10. Northern Michigan	22-3	366	8
11. Francis Marion, S.C.	24-2	324	14
12. Grand Valley State, Mich.	22-3	321	15
13. West Florida	23-3	286	11
14. Arkansas Tech	22-4	273	16
15. Shippensburg, Pa.	23-3	249	17
16. Stonehill, Mass.	22-5	234	12
17. Abilene Christian, Tex.	22-4	208	13
18. Northern Colorado	19-6	189	18
19. Virginia Union	23-2	162	21
20. Florida Southern	22-4	132	24
21. California State-San Bernardino	22-4	107	22
22. Metropolitan State, Colo.	20-4	95	23
23. Lewis, Ill.	23-3	84	20
24. Montana State-Billings	19-6	58	25
25. Saginaw Valley State, Mich.	19-6	42	19

Others receiving points: Franklin Pierce (N.H.) 26, Michigan Tech 25, Alderson-Broaddus, W. Va. 23, West Texas A&M 20, Columbus State, Ga. 18, Minnesota-Duluth 12, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville 11, Delta State, Miss. 10, Belmont Abbey, N.C. 7, Ferris State, Mich. 6, Florida Tech 6, Arkansas-Monticello 3, West Alabama 3, Edinboro, Pa. 2, Lincoln Memorial, Tenn. 2, Missouri Western State 2.



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USA Today/Women's Basketball Coaches Association Division II Basketball

(Through Games of Sunday, March 1)

	<u>Record</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Previous</u>
1. St. Rose, N.Y. (21)	32-0	597	1
2. North Dakota (2)	26-1	574	2
3. Emporia State, Kan.	29-0	554	3
4. Southern Indiana (1)	26-1	530	4
5. Bentley, Mass.	28-1	504	5
6. Bowie State, Md.	27-1	473	6
7. Seattle Pacific, Wash.	25-2	444	8
8. Northern Michigan	25-3	420	10
9. Nebraska-Kearney	25-3	404	7
10. North Dakota State	22-5	375	9
11. Francis Marion, S.C.	27-2	365	11
12. Arkansas Tech	24-4	330	14
13. Shippensburg, Pa.	26-3	290	15
14. Grand Valley State, Mich.	22-4	269	12
15. West Florida	24-4	265	13
16. Abilene Christian, Tex.	24-4	227	17
17. Stonehill, Mass.	24-6	201	16
18. Florida Southern	23-4	181	20
19. Virginia Union	23-2	148	19
20. Metropolitan State, Colo.	25-4	142	22
21. Northern Colorado	20-7	121	18
22. Montana State-Billings	21-6	99	24
23. Lewis, Ill.	23-3	54	23
24. California State-San Bernardino	22-5	48	21
25. Alderson-Broadus, W. Va.	26-3	32	NR

Dropped out: No. 25 Saginaw Valley State (Mich.) 20-7.

Others receiving points: Michigan Tech 29, Franklin Pierce (N.H.) 21, UC Davis 18, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville 15, Minnesota-Duluth 12, Columbus State (Ga.) 10, Belmont Abbey (N.C.) 9, Delta State (Miss.) 8, Saginaw Valley State (Mich.) 7, Carson-Newman (Tenn.) 5, Missouri Western State 5, Ferris State (Mich.) 4, Edinboro (Pa.) 3, West Texas A&M 3, Arkansas-Monticello 2, Mesa State (Colo.) 2, Florida Tech 1.



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USA Today/Women's Basketball Coaches Association Division II Top 25 Coaches' Poll

Final Poll (March 23, 1998)

Rank	Team	Record	Points	Previous Poll
1.	North Dakota (23 first-place votes)	31-1	599	2
2.	Emporia State (Kan.) (1)	33-1	576	3
3.	Northern Michigan	28-4	541	8
4.	Bentley (Mass.)	30-2	523	5
5.	Francis Marion (S.C.)	30-3	474	11
6.	Seattle Pacific (Wash.)	27-3	439	7
7.	Arkansas Tech	26-5	430	12
8.	Shippensburg (Pa.)	28-4	409	13
9.	Nebraska-Kearney	26-4	377	9
10.	Saint Rose (N.Y.)	33-1	374	1
11.	Southern Indiana	26-2	354	4
12.	Bowie State (Md.)	27-2	336	6
13.	Abilene Christian (Texas)	26-5	295	16
14.	North Dakota State	22-6	218	10
15.	UC-Davis	23-7	212	NR
16.	Grand Valley State (Mich.)	23-5	200	14
17.	West Florida	25-5	192	15
18.	Northern Colorado	21-8	185	21
19.	Michigan Tech	21-10	163	NR
20.	Florida Southern	24-5	117	18
21.	Montana State-Billings	21-7	110	22
22.	Stonchill (Mass.)	24-7	99	17
23.	Arkansas-Monticello	23-8	83	NR
24.	Metropolitan State (Colo.)	25-5	74	20
25.	Bloomsburg (Pa.)	22-8	69	NR

Dropped out: Virginia Union (19), Lewis (Ill.) (23), Cal State San Bernadino (24), Alderson-Broaddus (W. Va.) (25).

Others Receiving Votes: Virginia Union (59), Cal State San Bernadino (58), Northern State (S.D.) (34), Lewis (Ill.) (26), Missouri Western State (18), West Texas A&M (13), Franklin Pierce (N.H.) (10), Philadelphia Textile (Pa.) (9), Alderson-Broaddus (W. Va.) (8), Columbus State (Ga.) (8), Central Missouri State (7), Florida Tech (7), Edinboro (Pa.) (6), Delta State (Miss.) (3), Minnesota-Duluth (2), Saginaw Valley State (Mich.) (1), Sonoma State (Calif.) (1), Southern Illinois-Edwardsville (1).

Voting panel: The USA Today/WBCA Division II Top 25 Coaches' Poll is voted upon by 24 Division II head coaches who are members of the WBCA. They represent all eight WBCA Districts and each NCAA Division II conference.