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USA TODAY SPORTS WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACHES POLL - 1/20/2026

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

Rank	School (record)	Points	Last week's rank	First-place votes
1	Connecticut (19-0)	775	1	31
2	South Carolina (19-1)	739	2	0
3	UCLA (17-1)	714	3	0
4	Vanderbilt (19-0)	661	5	0
5	Texas (19-2)	659	4	0
6	LSU (17-2)	628	6	0
7	Michigan (15-3)	544	7	0
7	Louisville (18-3)	544	10	0
9	TCU (18-2)	500	8	0
10	Iowa (16-2)	493	13	0
11	Ohio State (17-2)	459	15	0
12	Kentucky (17-3)	442	9	0
13	Maryland (17-3)	385	11	0
14	Baylor (17-3)	356	17	0
15	Michigan State (17-2)	340	14	0
16	Oklahoma (14-4)	335	12	0
17	Tennessee (13-3)	306	20	0
18	Mississippi (16-4)	225	16	0
19	Texas Tech (19-1)	215	18	0
20	Princeton (16-1)	153	24	0
21	North Carolina (15-5)	128	23	0
22	West Virginia (15-4)	94	25	0

23	Alabama (17-3)	82	21	0
24	Iowa State (14-5)	58	19	0
25	Washington (14-4)	51	NR	0

Dropped out: No. 22 Notre Dame (12-6).

Others receiving votes: Notre Dame (12-6) 45; Duke (13-6) 43; Oklahoma State (16-4) 26; Nebraska (14-4) 25; Illinois (15-4) 13; Georgia (16-3) 12; Arizona State (17-2) 8; Mississippi State (15-5) 6; Rhode Island (16-2) 4; Virginia (13-5) 4; Minnesota (12-6) 2; Southern California (11-7) 1.