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USA TODAY SPORTS WOMEN’S BASKETBALL COACHES POLL - 11/17/2026

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 the preseason poll and first-place votes received.

Rank	School (record)	Points	Last week's rank	First-place votes
1	South Carolina (4-0)	800	1	32
2	Michigan (4-0)	764	2	0
3	Louisville (6-0)	711	7	0
4	Duke (4-0)	669	5	0
5	Southern California (3-1)	662	3	0
6	Texas (4-0)	633	6	0
7	LSU (5-0)	575	9	0
8	Connecticut (3-2)	546	4	0
9	Kentucky (5-0)	517	10	0
10	Iowa (4-1)	484	13	0
11	UCLA (4-0)	480	12	0
12	Notre Dame (4-0)	475	11	0
13	Vanderbilt (4-1)	432	8	0
14	Oklahoma (4-0)	409	14	0
15	TCU (6-0)	345	15	0
16	Minnesota (4-0)	336	17	0
17	Washington (3-0)	307	16	0
18	Maryland (2-1)	258	18	0
19	Ohio State (4-1)	181	19	0
20	West Virginia (4-0)	175	22	0
21	Illinois (3-0)	169	21	0
22	Mississippi (4-0)	132	24	0

23	Nebraska (4-0)	91	25	0
24	North Carolina (2-2)	79	23	0
25	Oklahoma State (4-1)	42	20	0

Others receiving votes: Tennessee (4-0) 28; Baylor (5-0) 27; Michigan State (4-0) 23; North Carolina State (4-1) 18; Virginia (5-0) 13; Rice (4-0) 7; Princeton (5-1) 6; Arizona State (4-0) 2; Illinois State (5-0) 2; Fairfield (3-1) 1; Saint Joseph's (3-0) 1.