

National Poll Champions

Over the years, there have been more than 30 selectors of national champions using polls, historical research and mathematical rating systems. Beginning in 1936, The Associated Press began the best-known and most widely circulated poll of sportswriters and broadcasters. Before 1936, national champions were determined by historical research and retroactive ratings and polls.

*Note: * indicates selectors that chose multiple schools. The national champion was selected before bowl games as follows: AP (1936-64 and 1966-67); UP-UPI (1950-73); FW (1954); NFF-HOF (1959-70). Since 1975, pre-bowl game selections are not included on the yearly listings. In all other latter-day polls, champions were selected after bowl games. The Sagarin Rating includes Jeff Sagarin's actual rating that combines scores and pure won-lost records. Sagarin also now provides an ELO-Chess rating that uses only pure won-lost records, and is the one utilized in the Bowl Championship Series (BCS) rankings.*

1869

Princeton: Billingsley, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

Rutgers: Parke Davis*

1870

Princeton: Billingsley, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1871

No national champions selected.

1872

Princeton: Billingsley, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

Yale: Parke Davis*

1873

Princeton: Billingsley, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1874

Harvard: Parke Davis*

Princeton: Billingsley, Parke Davis*

Yale: National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

1875

Columbia: Parke Davis*

Harvard: National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

Princeton: Billingsley, Parke Davis*

1876

Yale: Billingsley, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1877

Princeton: Billingsley, Parke Davis*

Yale: National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

1878

Princeton: Billingsley, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1879

Princeton: Billingsley, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

Yale: Parke Davis*

1880

Princeton: National Championship Foundation*, Parke Davis*

Yale: Billingsley, National Championship Foundation*, Parke Davis*

1881

Princeton: Billingsley, Parke Davis*

Yale: National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

1882

Yale: Billingsley, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1883

Yale: Billingsley, Helms, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1884

Princeton: Billingsley, Parke Davis*

Yale: Helms, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

1885

Princeton: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1886

Princeton: Billingsley, Parke Davis*

Yale: Helms, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

1887

Yale: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1888

Yale: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1889

Princeton: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1890

Harvard: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1891

Yale: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1892

Yale: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1893

Princeton: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation

Yale: Parke Davis

1894

Penn: Parke Davis*

Princeton: Houlgate

Yale: Billingsley, Helms, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

1895

Penn: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

Yale: Parke Davis*

1896

Lafayette: National Championship Foundation*, Parke Davis*

Princeton: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation*, Parke Davis*

1897

Penn: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

Yale: Parke Davis*

1898

Harvard: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation

Princeton: Parke Davis

1899

Harvard: Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation

Princeton: Billingsley, Parke Davis

1900

Yale: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1901

Harvard: Billingsley

Michigan: Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation

Yale: Parke Davis

1902

Michigan: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

Yale: Parke Davis*

1903

Michigan: National Championship Foundation*

Princeton: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation*, Parke Davis

1904

Michigan: National Championship Foundation*

Minnesota: Billingsley

Penn: Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation*, Parke Davis

1905

Chicago: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation

Yale: Parke Davis, Whitney

1906

Princeton: Helms, National Championship Foundation

Yale: Billingsley, Parke Davis, Whitney

1907

Yale: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis, Whitney

1908

Harvard: Billingsley

LSU: National Championship Foundation*

Penn: Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation*, Parke Davis

1909

Yale: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis

1910

Harvard: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation*

Pittsburgh: National Championship Foundation*

1911

Minnesota: Billingsley

Penn St.: National Championship Foundation*

Princeton: Billingsley MOV, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation*, Parke Davis

1912

Harvard: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation*, Parke Davis

Penn St.: National Championship Foundation*

1913

Auburn: Billingsley MOV

Chicago: Billingsley, Parke Davis*

Harvard: Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

1914

Army: Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

Illinois: Billingsley, Parke Davis*

Texas: Billingsley MOV

1915

Cornell: Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

Minnesota: Billingsley

Oklahoma: Billingsley MOV

Pittsburgh: Parke Davis*

1916

Army: Parke Davis*

Georgia Tech: Billingsley
Pittsburgh: Billingsley MOV, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*

1917

Georgia Tech: Billingsley, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation

1918

Michigan: Billingsley, National Championship Foundation*
Pittsburgh: Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation*

1919

Harvard: Football Research*, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation*, Parke Davis*
Illinois: Billingsley, Boand, Football Research*, Parke Davis*, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*
Notre Dame: National Championship Foundation*, Parke Davis*
Texas A&M: Billingsley MOV, National Championship Foundation*
Centre: Sagarin*

1920

California: Football Research, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)
Georgia: Berryman
Harvard: Boand*
Notre Dame: Billingsley, Parke Davis*
Princeton: Boand*, Parke Davis*

1921

California: Billingsley MOV, Boand*, Football Research, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)
Cornell: Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*
Iowa: Billingsley, Parke Davis*
Lafayette: Boand*, Parke Davis*
Vanderbilt: Berryman
Wash. & Jeff.: Boand*

1922

California: Billingsley MOV, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation*, Sagarin*
Cornell: Helms, Parke Davis*
Iowa: Billingsley
Princeton: Boand, Football Research, National Championship Foundation*, Parke Davis*, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*
Vanderbilt: Berryman

1923

California: Houlgate
Cornell: Sagarin*
Illinois: Berryman*, Boand, Football Research, Helms, National Championship Foundation*, Parke Davis, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*
Michigan: Billingsley, National Championship Foundation*
Yale: Berryman*

1924

Notre Dame: Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, Dickinson, Football Research, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)
Penn: Parke Davis

1925

Alabama: Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, Football Research, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*
Dartmouth: Dickinson, Parke Davis
Michigan: Sagarin*

1926

Alabama: Berryman, Billingsley, Football Research, Helms*, National Championship Foundation*, Poling
Lafayette: Parke Davis
Michigan: Sagarin*
Navy: Boand, Houlgate
Stanford: Dickinson, Helms*, National Championship Foundation*, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*

1927

Georgia: Berryman, Boand, Poling
Illinois: Billingsley, Dickinson, Helms, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis
Notre Dame: Houlgate

Texas A&M: Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)
Yale: Football Research

1928

Detroit: Parke Davis*
Georgia Tech: Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, Football Research, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*, Poling, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*
Southern California: Dickinson, Sagarin*

1929

Notre Dame: Billingsley, Boand, Dickinson, Dunkel, Football Research, Helms, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*
Pittsburgh: Parke Davis
Southern California: Berryman, Houlgate, Sagarin*

1930

Alabama: Berryman, Football Research, Parke Davis*, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)
Notre Dame: Billingsley, Boand, Dickinson, Dunkel, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*, Poling

1931

Pittsburgh: Parke Davis*
Purdue: Parke Davis*
Southern California: Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, Dickinson, Dunkel, Helms, Houlgate, Football Research, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Williamson

1932

Colgate: Parke Davis*
Michigan: Dickinson, Parke Davis*, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*
Southern California: Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, Dunkel, Football Research, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*, Poling, Sagarin*, Williamson

1933

Michigan: Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, Dickinson, Helms, Houlgate, Football Research, National Championship Foundation, Parke Davis*, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)
Ohio St.: Dunkel
Princeton: Parke Davis*
Southern California: Williamson

1934

Alabama: Berryman, Dunkel, Houlgate, Poling, Williamson
Minnesota: Billingsley, Boand, Dickinson, Football Research, Helms, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)

1935

LSU: Williamson*
Minnesota: Billingsley, Boand, Football Research, Helms, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Poling
Princeton: Dunkel
SMU: Berryman, Dickinson, Houlgate, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)
TCU: Williamson*

1936

Duke: Berryman
LSU: Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Williamson
Minnesota: AP, Billingsley, Dickinson, Dunkel, Helms, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Poling
Pittsburgh: Boand, Football Research, Houlgate

1937

California: Dunkel, Helms
Pittsburgh: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, Dickinson, Football Research, Houlgate, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Williamson

1938

Notre Dame: Dickinson
Tennessee: Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, Dunkel, Football Research, Houlgate, Litkenhous, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)
TCU: AP, Helms, National Championship Foundation, Williamson

1939

Cornell: Litkenhous, Sagarin*

Southern California: Dickinson
Texas A&M: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, Helms, Houlgate, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*, Williamson

1940

Minnesota: AP, Berryman, Boand, DeVold, Dickinson, Football Research, Houlgate, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)
Stanford: Billingsley, Helms, Poling
Tennessee: Dunkel, Williamson

1941

Alabama: Houlgate
Minnesota: AP, Billingsley, Boand, DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, Helms, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)
Texas: Berryman, Williamson

1942

Georgia: Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Houlgate, Litkenhous, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Williamson
Ohio St.: AP, Boand, Dunkel, Football Research, National Championship Foundation
Wisconsin: Helms

1943

Notre Dame: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, Helms, Houlgate, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Williamson

1944

Army: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, Helms, Houlgate, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation*, Poling, Sagarin*, Williamson
Ohio St.: National Championship Foundation*, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*

1945

Alabama: National Championship Foundation*
Army: AP, Berryman, Billingsley MOV, Boand, DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, Helms, Houlgate, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation*, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Williamson
Ohio St.: Billingsley

1946

Army: Billingsley, Boand*, Football Research, Helms*, Houlgate, Poling*
Georgia: Williamson
Notre Dame: AP, Berryman, Boand*, DeVold, Dunkel, Helms*, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Poling*, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)

1947

Michigan: Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, Helms*, Houlgate, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)
Notre Dame: AP, Helms*, Williamson

1948

Michigan: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, Helms, Houlgate, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Williamson

1949

Notre Dame: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, DeVold, Dunkel, Helms, Houlgate, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Williamson
Oklahoma: Football Research

1950

Kentucky: Sagarin*
Oklahoma: AP, Berryman, Helms, Litkenhous, UPI, Williamson
Princeton: Boand, Poling
Tennessee: Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, National Championship Foundation, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*

1951

Georgia Tech: Berryman, Boand*

Illinois: Boand*

Maryland: DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, National Championship Foundation, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)

Michigan St.: Billingsley, Helms, Poling

Tennessee: AP, Litkenhous, UPI, Williamson

1952

Georgia Tech: Berryman, Billingsley, INS, Poling, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*

Michigan St.: AP, Boand, DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, Helms, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Sagarin*, UPI, Williamson

1953

Maryland: AP, INS, UPI

Notre Dame: Billingsley, Boand, DeVold, Dunkel, Helms, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Williamson

Oklahoma: Berryman, Football Research

1954

Ohio St.: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, DeVold, Football Research*, Helms*, INS, National Championship Foundation*, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Williamson

UCLA: Dunkel, Football Research*, FW, Helms*, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation*, UPI

1955

Michigan St.: Boand

Oklahoma: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, FW, Helms, INS, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), UPI, Williamson

1956

Georgia Tech: Berryman, Sagarin*

Iowa: Football Research

Oklahoma: AP, Billingsley, Boand, DeVold, Dunkel, FW, Helms, INS, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Sagarin, UPI, Williamson

Tennessee: Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*

1957

Auburn: AP, Billingsley, Football Research, Helms, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Williamson

Michigan St.: Dunkel

Ohio St.: Boand, DeVold, FW, INS, Litkenhous, UPI

Oklahoma: Berryman

1958

Iowa: FW

LSU: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Boand, DeVold, Dunkel, FB News, Football Research, Helms, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), UPI, Williamson

1959

Ole Miss: Berryman, Dunkel, Sagarin*

Syracuse: AP, Billingsley, Boand, DeVold, FB News, Football Research, FW, Helms, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Poling, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*, UPI, Williamson

1960

Iowa: Berryman, Boand, Litkenhous, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)

Minnesota: AP, FB News, NFF, UPI

Ole Miss: Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, FW, National Championship Foundation, Williamson

Missouri: Poling

Washington: Helms

1961

Alabama: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FB News, Football Research, Helms, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), UPI, Williamson

Ohio St.: FW, Poling

1962

LSU: Berryman*

Southern California: AP, Berryman*, DeVold, Dunkel, FB News, Football Research, FW, Helms, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Poling, UPI, Williamson

Ole Miss: Billingsley, Litkenhous, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)

1963

Texas: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FB News, Football Research, FW, Helms, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), UPI, Williamson

1964

Alabama: AP, Berryman, Litkenhous, UPI

Arkansas: Billingsley, Football Research, FW, Helms, National Championship Foundation, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)

Michigan: Dunkel

Notre Dame: DeVold, FB News, NFF

1965

Alabama: AP, Football Research, FW*, National Championship Foundation

Michigan St.: Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FB News, FW*, Helms, Litkenhous, NFF, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), UPI

1966

Alabama: Berryman, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*

Michigan St.: Football Research, Helms*, NFF*, Poling*

Notre Dame: AP, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FB News, FW, Helms*, Litkenhous, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF*, Poling*, Sagarin*, UPI

1967

Notre Dame: Dunkel

Oklahoma: Poling

Southern California: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, FB News, Football Research, FW, Helms, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), UPI

Tennessee: Litkenhous

1968

Georgia: Litkenhous

Ohio St.: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Dunkel, FACT, FB News, Football Research, FW, Helms, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Poling, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*, UPI

Texas: DeVold, Matthews, Sagarin*

1969

Ohio St.: Matthews

Penn St.: FACT*, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*

Texas: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT*, FB News, Football Research, FW, Helms, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Poling, Sagarin*, UPI

1970

Arizona St.: Poling

Nebraska: AP, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT*, FB News, Football Research, FW, Helms, National Championship Foundation, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*

Notre Dame: FACT*, Matthews, Sagarin*

Ohio St.: NFF*

Texas: Berryman, FACT*, Litkenhous, NFF*, UPI

1971

Nebraska: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT, FB News, Football Research, FW, Helms, Litkenhous, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), UPI

1972

Southern California: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT, FB News, Football Research, FW, Helms, Litkenhous, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), UPI

1973

Alabama: Berryman, UPI

Michigan: National Championship Foundation*, Poling*

Notre Dame: AP, Billingsley, FB News, FW, Helms, National Championship Foundation*, NFF

Ohio St.: FACT, National Championship Foundation*, Poling*, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*

Oklahoma: DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, Sagarin*

1974

Ohio St.: Matthews

Oklahoma: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT, FB News, Football Research, Helms*, Litkenhous, National Championship Foundation*, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)

Southern California: FW, Helms*, National Championship Foundation*, NFF, UPI

1975

Alabama: Matthews*

Arizona St.: National Championship Foundation*, Sporting News

Ohio St.: Berryman, FACT*, Helms*, Matthews*, Poling

Oklahoma: AP, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT*, FB News, Football Research, FW, Helms*, National Championship Foundation*, NFF, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), UPI

1976

Pittsburgh: AP, Billingsley, FACT, FB News, FW, Helms, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Sporting News, UPI

Southern California: Berryman, Billingsley MOV, DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, Matthews

1977

Alabama: Football Research*

Arkansas: FACT*

Notre Dame: AP, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT*, FB News, Football Research*, FW, Helms, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Poling, Sagarin*, Sporting News, UPI

Texas: Berryman, FACT*, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*

1978

Alabama: AP, FACT*, Football Research, FW, Helms*, National Championship Foundation*, NFF

Oklahoma: DeVold, Dunkel, FACT*, Helms*, Litkenhous, Matthews, Poling, Sagarin*

Southern California: Berryman, Billingsley, FACT*, FB News, Helms*, National Championship Foundation*, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*, Sporting News, UPI

1979

Alabama: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT, FB News, FW, Helms, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, NY Times, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Sporting News, UPI

Southern California: Football Research

1980

Florida St.: FACT*

Georgia: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, FACT*, FB News, FW, Helms, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Poling, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*, Sporting News, UPI

Nebraska: FACT*

Oklahoma: Dunkel, Matthews

Pittsburgh: DeVold, FACT*, Football Research, NY Times, Sagarin*

1981

Clemson: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, FACT, FB News, Football Research, FW, Helms, Litkenhous, Matthews, National Championship Foundation*, NFF, NY Times, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Sporting News, UPI

Nebraska: National Championship Foundation*

Penn St.: Dunkel

Pittsburgh: National Championship Foundation*

SMU: National Championship Foundation*

Texas: National Championship Foundation*

1982

Nebraska: Berryman

Penn St.: AP, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT, FB News, Football Research, FW, Helms*, Litkenhous, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, NY Times, Poling, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Sporting News, UPI, USA/CNN

SMU: Helms*

1983

Auburn: Billingsley, FACT*, Football Research, NY Times, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*

Miami (FL): AP, Dunkel, FB News, FW, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Sporting News, UPI, USA/CNN

Nebraska: Berryman, DeVold, FACT*, Litkenhous, Matthews, Poling, Sagarin*

1984

BYU: AP, Billingsley, Football Research, FW, National Championship Foundation*, NFF, Poling, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*, UPI, USA/CNN

Florida: DeVold, Dunkel, FACT, Matthews, NY Times, Sagarin*, Sporting News

Nebraska: Litkenhous

Washington: Berryman, FB News, National Championship Foundation*

1985

Florida: Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*

Michigan: Matthews

Oklahoma: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT, FB News, Football Research, FW, National Championship Foundation, NFF, NY Times, Sagarin*, Sporting News, UPI, USA/CNN

1986

Miami (FL): FACT*

Oklahoma: Berryman, DeVold, Dunkel, Football Research, NY Times, Sagarin*

Penn St.: AP, Billingsley, FACT*, FB News, FW, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*, Sporting News, UPI, USA/CNN

1987

Florida St.: Berryman

Miami (FL): AP, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, Eck, FACT, FB News, Football Research, FW, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, NY Times, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Sporting News, UPI, USA/CNN

1988

Miami (FL): Berryman, Sagarin*

Notre Dame: AP, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, Eck, FACT, FB News, Football Research, FW, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, NY Times, Sagarin, (ELO-Chess)*, Sporting News, UPI, USA/CNN

1989

Miami (FL): AP, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT*, FB News, Football Research, FW, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, NY Times, Sporting News, UPI, USA/CNN

Notre Dame: Berryman, Eck, FACT*, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)

1990

Colorado: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, FACT*, FB News, Football Research, FW, Matthews, National Championship Foundation*, NFF, Sporting News, USA/CNN

Georgia Tech: Dunkel, FACT*, National Championship Foundation*, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*, UPI

Miami (FL): Eck, FACT*, NY Times, Sagarin*

Washington: FACT*

1991

Miami (FL): AP, Billingsley, Eck, Football Research, National Championship Foundation*, NY Times, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*, Sporting News

Washington: Berryman, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT, FB News, FW, Matthews, National Championship Foundation*, Sagarin*, UPI/NFF, USA/CNN

1992

Alabama: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, Eck, FACT, FB News, Football Research, FW, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NY Times, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*, Sporting News, UPI/NFF, USA/CNN

Florida St.: Sagarin*

1993

Auburn: National Championship Foundation*

Florida St.: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, Eck, FACT, FB News, FW, National Championship Foundation*, NY Times, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Sporting News, UPI, USA/CNN, USA/NFF

Nebraska: National Championship Foundation*

Notre Dame: Matthews, National Championship Foundation*

1994

Florida St.: Dunkel

Nebraska: Alderson, AP, Berryman, Billingsley, FACT*, FB News, FW, National Championship Foundation*, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*, Sporting News, UPI, USA/CNN, USA/NFF

Penn St. : DeVold, Eck, FACT*, Matthews, National Championship Foundation*, NY Times, Sagarin*

1995

Nebraska: Alderson, AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, Eck, FACT, FB News, FW, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, NY Times, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Sporting News, UPI, USA/CNN

1996

Florida: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Eck, FACT, FB News, FW, NFF, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Sporting News, USA/CNN, NY Times, National Championship Foundation, Dunkel, Matthews, DeVold

Florida St.: Alderson

1997

Michigan: AP, Billingsley, FB News, FW, National Championship Foundation*, NFF, Sporting News

Nebraska: Alderson, Berryman, Billingsley MOV, DeVold, Dunkel, Eck, FACT, Matthews, National Championship Foundation*, NY Times, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Seattle Times, USA/ESPN

1998

Tennessee: Alderson, AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, Eck, FACT, FB News, FW, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, NY Times, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Seattle Times, Sporting News, USA/ESPN

1999

Florida St.: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, Eck, FACT, FB News, FW, Massey, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, NY Times, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Seattle Times, Sporting News, USA/ESPN

2000

Oklahoma: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, DeVold, Dunkel, Eck, FACT, FB News, FW, Massey, Matthews, National Championship Foundation, NFF, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Seattle Times, Sporting News, USA/ESPN

Miami (FL): NY Times

2001

Miami (FL): AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Colley, DeVold, Dunkel, Eck, FACT, FB News, FW, Massey, Matthews, NFF, NY Times, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Seattle Times, Sporting News, USA/ESPN, Wolfe

2002

Ohio St.: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Colley, DeVold, Eck, FACT, FB News, FW, Massey, NFF, NY Times, Sagarin (ELO-Chess)*, Seattle Times, Sporting News, USA/ESPN, Wolfe

Southern California: Dunkel, Matthews, Sagarin*

2003

LSU: Billingsley, Colley, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT, Massey, NFF, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Seattle Times, USA/ESPN, Wolfe

Oklahoma: Berryman

Southern California: AP, Eck, FW, Matthews, NY Times, Sporting News

2004

#Southern California: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Colley, DeVold, Dunkel, Eck, FACT, FW, Massey, Matthews, NY Times, NFF, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Seattle Times, Sporting News, USA/ESPN, Wolfe

#BCS later vacated Southern California's 2004 BCS championship.

2005

Texas: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Colley, DeVold, Dunkel, Eck, FACT, FW, Massey, Matthews, NFF, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Seattle Times, Sporting News, USA Today, Wolfe

2006

Florida: AP, Berryman, Billingsley, Colley, DeVold, Dunkel, FACT, FW, Massey, Matthews, NFF, Sagarin, Sagarin (ELO-Chess), Seattle Times, Sporting News, USA Today, Wolfe

2007

LSU: Berryman, ^BCS, USA Today, AP, Dunkel, FW, NFF

2008

Florida: Berryman, ^BCS, USA Today, AP, Dunkel, FW, NFF

2009

Alabama: Berryman, ^BCS, USA Today, AP, Dunkel, FW, NFF

2010

Auburn: Berryman, ^BCS, USA Today, AP, Dunkel, FW, NFF

2011

Alabama: Berryman, ^BCS, USA Today, AP, Dunkel, FW, NFF

2012

Alabama: AP, ^BCS, Dunkel, FW, NFF, USA Today

Note: The Associated Press has been the designated media poll since 1936. United Press International served as the coaches' poll from 1950 to 1991 when it was taken over by USA Today/Cable News Network and in 1997 became USA Today/ESPN. In 1991-92, the No. 1 team in the final UPI/NFF ratings received the MacArthur Bowl as the national champion by the NFF. In 1993-94 and again in 1996, the No. 1 team in the USA Today/NFF final poll received the MacArthur Bowl. ^BCS includes all national champion major selectors not mentioned above.