



**OCT. 13, 2009**

Alabama leapfrogs Texas to the #2 spot behind Florida. Despite losing ground, Texas has prime chance to gain it back with solid win in Saturday's Red River showdown vs. Oklahoma. Cameos for Auburn and Wisconsin lasted but a week, now replaced by Ohio State and Nebraska.

**#1 FLORIDA (5-0)**

Previously: 1.

Last week: Beat LSU 13-3.

Next: Saturday vs. Arkansas.

Comment: Gators became first LSU visitor since 2002 to leave Baton Rouge with win.

**#2 ALABAMA (6-0)**

Previously: 3.

Last week: Beat Mississippi 22-3.

Next: Saturday vs. South Carolina.

Comment: Stronger slate of opponents made it time for Tide to jump over Texas.

**#3 TEXAS (5-0)**

Previously: 2.

Last week: Beat Colorado 38-14.

Next: Saturday vs. Oklahoma.

Comment: Longhorns can take out frustrations over being odd team out last year.

**#4 VIRGINIA TECH (5-1)**

Previously: 8.

Last week: Beat Boston College 48-14.

Next: Saturday at #12 Georgia Tech.

Comment: Hokies held BC to just 3 yards of 1st-half offense, 1-of-13 on third downs.

**#5 CINCINNATI (5-0)**

Previously: 5.

Last week: Idle.

Next: Thursday at #15 South Florida.

Comment: Bearcats lead nation with average of 4.2 sacks, 10.0 tackles/loss per game.

**#6 IOWA (6-0)**

Previously: 6.

Last week: Beat Michigan 30-28.

Next: Saturday at Wisconsin.

Comment: S Tyler Sash tied for nation's lead with 5 INTs; Hawkeyes have 19 takeaways.

**#7 BOISE ST. (5-0)**

Previously: 7.

Last week: Idle.

Next: Wednesday at Tulsa.

Comment: Broncos now have won 84 of their past 94 games, dating back to Sept. 2002.

**#8 TCU (5-0)**

Previously: 9.

Last week: Beat Air Force 20-17.

Next: Saturday vs. Colorado St.

Comment: Frogs are 5-0 for third time this decade; last time before that came in 1942..

**#9 OREGON (5-1)**

Previously: 10.

Last week: Beat UCLA 24-10.

Next: Oct. 24 at Wisconsin.

Comment: First time since '80 that three consecutive UO foes held to 10 points or less.

**#10 MIAMI (4-1)**

Previously: 11.

Last week: Beat Florida A&M 48-16.

Next: Saturday at Central Florida.

Comment: 14 different receivers have caught passes from QB Jacory Harris this year.

**#11 LSU (5-1)**

Previously: 4.

Last week: Lost to Florida 13-3.

Next: Oct. 24 vs. Auburn.

Comment: Tigers held Florida to lowest scoring output in 10 years, but it wasn't enough.

**#12 GEORGIA TECH (5-1)**

Previously: 14.

Last week: Beat Florida St. 49-44.

Next: Saturday vs. #4 Virginia Tech.

Comment: Victories over Mississippi St. and FSU have produced 91 points, 1,011 yards.

**#13 PENN ST. (4-1)**

Previously: 12.

Last week: Beat Eastern Illinois 52-3.

Next: Saturday vs. Minnesota.

Comment: Win over EIU marks the 79th different opponent Joe Paterno has beaten.

**#14 OHIO ST. (5-1)**

Previously: NR.

Last week: Beat Wisconsin 31-13.

Next: Saturday at Purdue.

Comment: Three of Buckeyes' TDs vs. Wisconsin came off defense or special teams.

### **#15 SOUTH FLORIDA (5-0)**

Previously: 16.

Last week: Idle.

Next: Thursday vs. #5 Cincinnati.

Comment: Bulls are only FBS-class team to start 5-0 in each of past three seasons.

### **#16 NEBRASKA (5-1)**

Previously: NR.

Last week: Beat Missouri 27-12.

Next: Saturday vs. Texas Tech.

Comment: Huskers' D has given up just four TDs this year; three came on short drives.

Dropped out: Auburn (5-1, lost to Arkansas), Wisconsin (5-1, lost to Ohio St.).

