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2003 BOWL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES STANDINGS

(Games Through Oct. 25, 2003)

| | | | USA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | Today/ | Poll | Anderson | | Colley | | New York | | | Comp. | Schedule | Schedule | Loss | | Quality | _ |
| | | AP | ESPN | Avg. | & Hester | Billingsley | Matrix | Massey | Times | Sagarin | Wolfe | Avg. | Strength | Rank | Record | total | Win | Total |
| 1. | Oklahoma | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1.17 | 7 | 0.28 | 0 | 2.45 | | 2.45 |
| 2. | Miami (FL) | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1.67 | 25 | 1.00 | 0 | 4.67 | - 0.8 | 3.87 |
| 3. | Florida State | 5 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3.50 | 21 | 0.84 | 1 | 10.34 | | 10.34 |
| 4. | Southern California | 3 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 5.67 | 35 | 1.40 | 1 | 11.07 | | 11.07 |
| 5. | Georgia | 4 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 5 | 4.67 | 37 | 1.48 | 1 | 11.15 | | 11.15 |
| 6. | Ohio State | 8 | 7 | 7.5 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 8 | 4 | 3.50 | 15 | 0.60 | 1 | 12.60 | | 12.60 |
| 7. | Louisiana State | 7 | 8 | 7.5 | 14 | 8 | 9 | 8 | 7.5 | 10 | 9 | 8.58 | 55 | 2.20 | 1 | 19.28 | - 0.6 | 18.68 |
| 8. | Washington State | 6 | 6 | 6 | 11 | 6 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 9 | 14 | 10.83 | 71 | 2.84 | 1 | 20.67 | | 20.67 |
| 9. | Nebraska | 12 | 9 | 10.5 | 7 | 24 | 7 | 7 | 9 | 12 | 6 | 8.00 | 47 | 1.88 | 1 | 21.38 | | 21.38 |
| 10. | Michigan State | 9 | 10 | 9.5 | 9 | 19 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 13 | 10 | 10.67 | 59 | 2.36 | 1 | 23.53 | | 23.53 |
| 11. | lowa | 13 | 14 | 13.5 | 13 | 11 | 13 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 8 | 10.67 | 10 | 0.40 | 2 | 26.57 | | 26.57 |
| 12. | Texas Christian | 15 | 13 | 14 | 5 | 10 | 8 | 15 | 36 | 14 | 12 | 10.67 | 99 | 3.96 | 0 | 28.63 | | 28.63 |
| 13. | Michigan | 11 | 12 | 11.5 | 16 | 9 | 17 | 17 | 17.5 | 18 | 15 | 15.25 | 46 | 1.84 | 2 | 30.59 | | 30.59 |
| 14. | Oklahoma State | 14 | 15 | 14.5 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 7.5 | 15 | 19 | 13.75 | 78 | 3.12 | 1 | 32.37 | | 32.37 |
| 15. | Tennessee | 19 | 18 | 18.5 | 12 | 15 | 14 | 12 | 11 | 16 | 13 | 12.83 | 5 | 0.20 | 2 | 33.53 | | 33.53 |
| 16. | Virginia Tech | 10 | 11 | 10.5 | 17 | 21 | 19 | 27 | 15.5 | 40 | 29 | 21.42 | 69 | 2.76 | 1 | 35.68 | | 35.68 |
| 17. | Bowling Green | 17 | 20 | 18.5 | 22 | 18 | 16 | 16 | 32 | 6 | 16 | 15.67 | 89 | 3.56 | 1 | 38.73 | | 38.73 |
| 18. | Purdue | 18 | 17 | 17.5 | 18 | 12 | 20 | 19 | 25 | 20 | 18 | 17.83 | 50 | 2.00 | 2 | 39.33 | | 39.33 |
| 19. | Miami (OH) | 26 | 29 | 27.5 | 10 | 23 | 10 | 10 | 24 | 7 | 11 | 11.83 | 52 | 2.08 | 1 | 42.41 | | 42.41 |
| 20. | Missouri | 21.5 | 24 | 22.75 | 23 | 27 | 18 | 18 | 19 | 17 | 17 | 18.67 | 42 | 1.68 | 2 | 45.10 | - 0.2 | 44.90 |
| 21. | Florida | 23 | 21 | 22 | 33 | 13 | 32 | 26 | 13 | 21 | 21 | 21.00 | 9 | 0.36 | 3 | 46.36 | - 0.4 | 45.96 |
| 22. | Texas | 16 | 16 | 16 | 28 | 14 | 27 | 31 | 23 | 32 | 30 | 25.50 | 75 | 3.00 | 2 | 46.50 | | 46.50 |
| 23. | Northern Illinois | 21.5 | 22 | 21.75 | 21 | 26 | 21 | 21 | 54 | 19 | 22 | 21.67 | 104 | 4.16 | 1 | 48.58 | | 48.58 |
| 24. | Minnesota | 24 | 19 | 21.5 | 24 | 25 | 25 | 29 | 30 | 29 | 25 | 26.17 | 76 | 3.04 | 2 | 52.71 | | 52.71 |
| 25. | UCLA | 29 | 32.5 | 30.75 | 19 | 28 | 24 | 20 | 17.5 | 23 | 20 | 20.58 | 64 | 2.56 | 2 | 55.89 | | 55.89 |

EXPLANATION:

Poll Average - Average of the AP Media Poll and USA Today/ESPN Coaches Poll. Others receiving votes calculated in order received.

Computer Average – Average of Anderson & Hester, Richard Billingsley, Colley Matrix, Kenneth Massey, New York Times, Jeff Sagarin's USA Today, and the Peter Wolfe rankings. The computer component will be determined by averaging six of the seven rankings. The lowest (worst) computer ranking will be disregarded.

Schedule Rank – Rank of schedule strength compared to other Division I-A teams of actual games played divided by 25. This component is calculated by determining the cumulative won/loss records of the team's opponent (66 2/3 percent) and the cumulative won/loss records of the team's opponents (33 1/3 percent).

Losses – One point for each loss during the season.

Quality Win Component - The quality win component will reward to varying degrees teams that defeat opponents ranked among the top 10 in the weekly standings. The bonus point scale will range from a high of 1.0 points for a win over the top ranked team to a low of 0.1 for a victory over the 10th-ranked BCS team. The BCS Standings at the end of the season will determine final quality win points. If a team registers a victory over a team more than once during the regular season, quality points will be awarded just once. Quality win points are based on the standings determined by the subtotal. The final standings are reconfigured to reflect the quality win point deduction. Notes: 1. Teams on NCAA probation (i.e. not eligible for postseason competition) are not listed in the BCS Standings. Teams with victories over teams on probation will receive appropriate quality win points.

2. The Nokia Sugar Bowl on January 4, 2004, will host the BCS National Championship Game and determine which team will be presented The National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame's MacArthur Trophy, awarded to college football's National Champion since 1959, as well as the ADT National Championship Trophy on behalf of the American Football Coaches Association.