



# National Association of Basketball Coaches NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Rankings

## 2014-15 Rankings – Dec. 9, 2014 (Poll #3)

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Losses by two of the top five teams in the nation last week have allowed a number of schools to rise in the latest NABC/Division II rankings, which are headed for the third straight week by West Liberty.

The Hilltoppers survived a big scare of their own over the week, winning a 138-133 decision in overtime at Urbana to hold onto the top spot. However, then-second ranked Southern Connecticut State wasn't as fortunate as it dropped a home contest to American International that same day and dropped eight places as a result.

Last week's No. 5 team, Indiana (Pa.), lost twice a week ago, bringing several teams up into the top 40 percent of this week's list. Bellarmine and Florida Southern each moved up a spot to second and third, respectively, while Central Missouri is now fourth and Colorado-Colorado Springs is at No. 5.

Tarleton State moved up a spot to sixth, while Metropolitan State and Lincoln Memorial each made rises of two spots to the seventh and eighth positions. Barry moved up from 12<sup>th</sup> to ninth ahead of Southern Connecticut State.\*

Minnesota State scored a win over the weekend against No. 11 Augustana and moved up to that 11<sup>th</sup> spot as a result, with Great Lakes Valley Conference foes Indianapolis and Drury taking the next two place. Minnesota State-Moorhead, the first team in the nation to 10 wins, is 14<sup>th</sup> this week and unbeaten Mount Olive checks in at No. 15.

Pacific West Conference rivals BYU-Hawaii and California Baptist hold the next two spots, followed by Augustana at No. 18, Colorado School of Mines making its poll debut this year at No. 19 and Christian Brothers in the 20<sup>th</sup> spot.

This week's final five teams are Newberry, Alabama-Huntsville, Indiana (Pa.), Azuza Pacific and GRU Augusta. Newberry and Azuza Pacific are making their first-ever appearance in the NCAA Division II rankings.

The next regular season poll will be released Dec. 16.

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	Record	Points	Last
1. West Liberty, W.Va. (14)	7-0	396	1
2. Bellarmine, Ky. (2)	6-0	383	3
3. Florida Southern	6-0	369	4
4. Central Missouri	8-0	343	6
5. Colo.-Colorado Springs	8-0	316	8
6. Tarleton State, Texas	7-0	310	7
7. Metropolitan State, Colo.	6-1	294	9
8. Lincoln Memorial, Tenn.	8-0	278	10
9. Barry, Fla.	6-0	254	12
10. Southern Connecticut State	7-1	233	2
11. Minnesota State	7-1	223	13
12. Indianapolis, Ind.	7-0	221	16
13. Drury, Mo.	6-1	196	14
14. Minnesota State-Moorhead	10-0	195	19
15. Mount Olive, N.C.	9-0	166	18
16. BYU-Hawaii	6-0	141	23
17. California Baptist	6-1	129	17
18. Augustana, S.D.	8-1	108	11
19. Colorado School of Mines	6-0	96	NR
20. Christian Brothers, Tenn.	4-1	84	24
21. Newberry, S.C.	8-0	72	NR
22. Alabama-Huntsville	7-1	58	15
23. Indiana, Pa.	7-2	47	5
24. Azuza Pacific, Calif.	8-1	45	NR
25. GRU Augusta	7-1	34	NR

**Others receiving votes:** St. Edward's (Texas) 32, Angelo State (Texas) 28, Lewis (Ill.) 27, Southern Indiana 19, LeMoyné (N.Y.) 17, Sonoma State (Calif.) 11, Wisconsin-Parkside 10, Point Loma Nazarene (Calif.) 9, West Georgia 7, Winston-Salem State (N.C.) 6, Alderson-Broaddus (W.Va.) 5, Lake Superior State (Mich.) 5, Findlay (Ohio) 4, Texas A&M-Commerce 3, Central Oklahoma 2, Lander (S.C.) 2, UC San Diego 2, Cal Poly Pomona 1, Fort Lewis (Colo.) 1, Northwest Missouri State 1, Saint Anselm (N.H.) 1, Western Oregon 1.

**Dropped out:** Michigan Tech (20), Findlay (21), Point Loma Nazarene (22), Florida Tech (25).

Records are through games of Sunday, Dec. 7, 2014.