

1 GEORGIA

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Playoff Semifinal 01.01.18
ALLSTATE SUGAR BOWL



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ROSE BOWL GAME
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This is the first ranking. So when's the next one come out?

Same time, same place, next week. The full schedule:

- Tuesday, Oct. 31
- Tuesday, Nov. 7
- Tuesday, Nov. 14
- Tuesday, Nov. 21
- Tuesday, Nov. 28
- Sunday, Dec. 3

How much do these rankings matter?

Both a little and a lot. The committee doesn't keep teams in any particular order from week to week. Nothing is final until Selection Sunday, Dec. 3. That's the day after conference championships games wrap up, and the ranking then is the one that determines who makes the four-team Playoff field. But for the sake of tracking where teams are in the race, these weekly releases are by far your best bet.