

SEC Women's Basketball

The Nation's Premier Women's Basketball Conference

With **eight** national championships, ten runner-up finishes, a nation-leading 34 Final Four appearances and 112 first-team All-America honors, the **SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE** stands firmly as the nation's premier intercollegiate women's basketball conference.

SEC By The Numbers

- The SEC has posted impressive non-conference records in the last decade. The SEC compiled a **166-52 (.765)** non-conference record during the 2012-13 season.
- Since the 1990 season, the SEC has compiled a **3295-983 (.770)** record against other conferences. The league has recorded 150+ wins during nine seasons and has never recorded a non-conference winning percentage below .723.
- SEC teams have earned appearances in **25 of 31 NCAA Final Fours**, an accomplishment unmatched by any other league.
- Overall, SEC squads have filled **34** of the **128** Final Four berths, including having two Final Four teams in 1988 (Auburn, Tennessee), 1989 (Auburn, Tennessee), 1995 (Georgia, Tennessee), 1996 (Georgia, Tennessee), 1998 (Arkansas, Tennessee), 2004 (LSU, Tennessee), 2005 (LSU, Tennessee), 2007 (LSU, Tennessee) and 2008 (LSU, Tennessee).
- SEC teams have made **18 appearances** in a **nation-high 16 NCAA Championship games**, winning eight NCAA Championships (Tennessee: 1987, 1989, 1991, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2007 and 2008).
- The league also had the distinction of providing **both national finalists twice in its history** in 1996 (Tennessee 83, Georgia 65) and in 1989 (Tennessee 76, Auburn 60).
- SEC teams have won **361 NCAA Tournament games against 187 losses (.659)** for an average of **11.3 NCAA wins per year**.
- In addition, **all 14** current members have appeared in the NCAA Tournament.
- The SEC has paced the pack in NCAA tournament bids **22 times in its 32-year history**.
- Until 2004, the SEC was the only conference to ever have eight teams receive NCAA bids. The league has achieved this feat three times, in 1999, 2002 and 2012.
- The SEC was also the first league to ever have **seven** teams invited to the NCAA Tournament and earned this honor a leading nine times (1986, 1991, 1995, 1996, 1997, 2003, 2004, 2009 & 2013).
- The SEC is one of a handful of leagues to have won three

national tournament titles with eight NCAA, two WNIT and three NWIT. Along with the eight NCAA championships won by Tennessee, Arkansas (1999) and Auburn (2003) captured the current Women's NIT titles. But the first-ever SEC national title belongs to Georgia, winners of the 1981 NWIT which predates the current NCAA tournament. LSU (1985) and Kentucky (1990) also won NWIT titles. Both Arkansas (1987) and South Carolina (1979) won the WNIT as members of their previous conferences.

- In 2003, Auburn won the WNIT title with wins over South Alabama, Florida State, Richmond, Creighton and Baylor. In 1999, the Arkansas Lady Razorbacks defeated Wisconsin 76-64 to claim the SEC's first WNIT championship.
- In 1981, Georgia defeated Pittsburg, California and Arizona State (in OT) to capture the NWIT Championship, the first-ever national championship of any kind for the SEC in women's basketball.

Individual Honors

- The SEC has had **60** student-athletes named as a **First-Team All-America selection**. Those 60 have been named a total of **87** times since the 1982-83 season (first year of SEC sponsorship).
- All-Americans were first named in women's basketball in 1975. Since that time, league schools have had **68** players named first-team a total of **112** times.
- The league has had **six Honda Sports Awards** winners in Katrina McClain, Georgia (1987); Bridgette Gordon, Tennessee (1989); Chamique Holdsclaw, Tennessee (1997 and 1998); and Candace Parker, Tennessee (2007 and 2008).
- Tennessee's Chamique Holdsclaw was named the winner of the **Honda-Broderick Cup**, as the Collegiate Woman Athlete of the Year, in 1998.
- **Seven Naismith Player of the Year** winners have come from the SEC. They include Saudia Roundtree, Georgia (1996), Chamique Holdsclaw, Tennessee (1998 and 1999), Tamika Catchings, Tennessee (2000), Seimone Augustus, LSU (2005 and 2006) and Candace Parker, Tennessee (2008).
- SEC teams have provided **140 All-Region performers**, including **28 Most Outstanding Players**.
- Over the past 32 years, **38 Final Four All-Tournament Team members** have come from SEC schools.
- In 1996, the entire all-tournament team was made up of SEC players.
- **Nine** NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship winners and **29** Academic All-Americans hail from the SEC.

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SEC In The WNBA

- The Southeastern Conference had 24 former SEC student-athletes make 2013 WNBA opening day rosters.
- Overall, the SEC has had **121** former players go on to play in the league.
- In this year's WNBA draft, a total of **seven** SEC women's basketball players were taken.
- Since the inaugural WNBA draft in 1997, the SEC has had **126** former players drafted for the professional league, including **five** No. 1 picks.

SEC In USA Basketball

- SEC schools have produced **39** Olympians since 1976, with **35** coming since the SEC began sponsoring women's basketball.

1976 - Cindy Brogdon, Tennessee; Patricia Roberts, Tennessee

1980 - Jill Rankin, Tennessee; Holly Warlick, Tennessee

1984 - Teresa Edwards, Georgia; Lea Henry, Tennessee; Cindy Noble, Tennessee

1988 - Teresa Edwards, Georgia; Katrina McClain, Georgia; Jennifer Gillom, Ole Miss; Bridgette Gordon, Tennessee

1992 - Carolyn Jones, Auburn; Vickie Orr, Auburn; Tammy Jackson, Florida; Teresa Edwards, Georgia; Katrina McClain, Georgia; Daedra Charles, Tennessee

1996 - Ruthie Bolton, Auburn; Teresa Edwards, Georgia; Katrina McClain, Georgia; Nikki McCray, Tennessee, Carla McGhee, Tennessee

2000 - Ruthie Bolton-Holifield, Auburn; Teresa Edwards, Georgia; Chamique Holdscraw, Tennessee; Nikki McCray, Tennessee; DeLisha Milton, Florida

2004 - Tamika Catchings, Tennessee; Shannon Johnson, South Carolina

2008 - Seimone Augustus, LSU; Tamika Catchings, Tennessee; Sylvia Fowles, LSU; ; Kara Lawson, Tennessee; DeLisha Milton-Jones, Florida; Candace Parker, Tennessee

2012 - Seimone Augustus, LSU; Tamika Catchings, Tennessee; Sylvia Fowles, LSU; Candace Parker, Tennessee

- In addition, other USA Basketball rosters included **22** on the National Team, **18** on the U18 National Team, **18** on the U19 World Championship Team, **21** on the Pan American Team, and **44** have been on the World University Game Team.

- While at an SEC school, **13** head coaches have been named to coach, as an assistant or head coach, for USA Basketball teams.

Dominance In the Polls

- Since the SEC began to sponsor women's basketball in 1982, it has failed only three times to place at least four members in each of the final polls (the USA Today/ESPN poll began in 1986).

- Last season, the SEC had **five** in the final of both polls, with two more receiving votes in Associated Press and one receiving votes in coaches.

- In terms of rankings, the SEC has the richest history of any conference in the nation, boasting more poll appearances than any other.

- Since the 1982 season, SEC teams have been ranked **556 consecutive weeks** in the AP Poll.

- Since, 1982, league teams have been ranked **2,842** times, including **1,517** Top 10 appearances and **750** Top 5 appearances.

- Overall, the league teams have been ranked **650** consecutive weeks, with teams ranked a total of **3,117** times. The SEC has **1,531** Top 10 appearances and **752** Top Five appearances overall.

- SEC teams can also boost of **136** No. 1 rankings in the AP Poll.

- The league has had the **top three teams** in the AP Poll twice. In week three in 2005 and in week eight in 1989.

- A nation-leading eight SEC teams were ranked at one point in the AP and CNN/USA Today Top 25 polls during the 1995-96 season. The league mirrored that feat during the 1996-97 season.

NCAA Numbers Do The Talking

(All numbers based on actual conference alignment)

NCAA Appearances		NCAA Tournament Wins	
SEC	195	SEC	361
ACC	149	Big East	226
Big Ten	134	ACC	216
Big East	133	Big Ten	154
Pac-12	108	Big 12	153
Big 12	105	Pac-12	139
Atlantic 10	76	Sun Belt	65
Sun Belt	50	Atlantic 10	60
C-USA	48	Independents	32
MVC	42		
NCAA Titles		Final Four Appearances	
Big East	9	SEC	34
SEC	8	Big East	23
ACC	2	ACC	14
Big 12	3	Pac-12	12
Pac-12	2	Sun Belt	8
Independents	1	Big Ten	8
Sun Belt	1	Big 12	8
Big Ten	1	Independents	6
		Colonial	1