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- Carroll leads the group of No. 1-ranked teams in the Preseason Top 25 (since 1997) – 2011, 2008, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, followed by former member Sioux Falls (S.D.) (2010, 2009, 2007, 1997), Georgetown (Ky.) (2002, 2001), Northwestern Oklahoma State (2000), Azusa Pacific (Calif.) (1999) and former member Findlay (Ohio) (1998).

- Since 2000, Carroll holds the most No. 1 positions with 56; Sioux Falls had 55, while Georgetown has 14, Northwestern Oklahoma State 11 and Saint Francis with three.

- Only two teams have been ranked No. 1 since the 2006 Postseason Top 25 Poll (Jan. 18, 2007), with Carroll being one of them – Saint Francis was the last team outside of those two programs to earn the No. 1-spot on Nov. 12, 2006 – a streak of 56 polls.

- Carroll has now been ranked in the top five in the last 79 straight polls dating back to Jan. 17, 2005 (2004 Postseason Top 25 Poll).

- Saint Francis boasts the longest consecutive stretch of being named in the Coaches' Top 25 Poll – 143 straight mentions. The last time Saint Francis was not mentioned in the Top 25 was Oct. 19, 1999.

- After Saint Francis, Carroll is the next team in line with 130 straight Top-25 rankings... Sioux Falls holds the record (since 1997 when both divisions merged) for consecutive No. 1 rankings at 26 straight polls, accomplished from Jan. 12, 2009 (2008 Postseason) through Nov. 14, 2010 (final regular season).