

2004 Oregon men

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Class
00	Aaron Brooks	G	6'0"	Freshman
1	James Davis	G	5'10"	Senior
2	Jordan Kent	G	6'5"	Freshman
3	Mitch Platt	F	6'10"	Freshman
5	Matt Short	C	7'0"	Sophomore
11	Ian Crosswhite	F	6'11"	Sophomore
14	Brandon Lincoln	G	6'4"	Sophomore
15	Tyler York	G	5'11"	Sophomore
33	Luke Jackson	F	6'7"	Senior
35	Andre Joseph	G	6'3"	Senior
42	Adam Zahn	F	6'8"	Freshman
45	Ray Schafer	C	7'0"	Freshman
55	Jay Anderson	C	6'9"	Senior

Head coach: Ernie Kent
 Assistants: Scott Duncan, Fred Litzenberger,
 John Cooper, Mark Hudson

Oregon statistical leaders

Player	Points/Game
Luke Jackson	21.0
Ian Crosswhite	14.4
Andre Joseph	12.8
James Davis	12.0
Aaron Brooks	6.7
Player	Rebounds/Game
Ian Crosswhite	7.0
Luke Jackson	6.9
Mitch Platt	3.8
Jay Anderson	3.1
Andre Joseph	2.9
Player	Assists
Andre Joseph	3.5
Luke Jackson	3.5
Aaron Brooks	2.6
James Davis	1.8
Ian Crosswhite	1.7

2004 Oregon schedule

November	
9	Basketball Travelers (ex), W, 96-76
17	EA Sports All-Stars (ex), W, 76-74
21	Fresno State, W, 80-67
December	
2	Portland State, W, 62-55
6	vs. Marshall (in Portland), W, 90-61
13	vs. Kansas (in Kansas City, Mo.), L, 77-67
17	Santa Clara, W, 94-71
20	vs. Alabama (in Las Vegas), L, 87-86
22	Portland, W, 88-70
January	
2	@ USC, W, 92-74
4	@ UCLA, L, 81-74
10	@ Oregon State, 7:30 p.m.
15	Washington, 6 p.m.
17	Washington State, 5:15 p.m.
22	@ Arizona State, 7:30 p.m.
25	@ Arizona, 2 p.m.
29	California, 7:30 p.m.
31	Stanford, 3 p.m.
February	
7	Oregon State, 4 p.m.
12	@ Washington, 7:30 p.m.
14	@ Washington State, 2 p.m.
19	Arizona, 7:30 p.m.
21	Arizona State, 5 p.m.
26	@ California, 7:30 p.m.
28	@ Stanford, 4 p.m.
March	
4	USC, 5:30 p.m.
6	UCLA, 1 p.m.
11-13	Pac-10 Tournament (in Los Angeles), TBA

Pac-10 standings (as of Jan. 8)

	Overall	Pac-10
	W L	W L
Stanford	11 0	2 0
UCLA	6 3	2 0
Arizona	9 1	1 0
Oregon	6 3	1 1
Washington State	7 5	1 1
USC	6 5	1 1
California	5 6	1 1
Arizona State	6 4	0 1
Oregon State	6 6	0 2
Washington	5 5	0 2

Pac-10 individual statistical leaders

Player	Points/Game
Ike Diogu (Arizona State)	23.7
Luke Jackson (Oregon)	21.0
Desmon Farmer (USC)	17.7
Hassan Adams (Arizona)	17.6
Player	Rebounds/Game
Leon Powe (California)	10.0
Andre Iguodala (Arizona)	9.7
Jeff McMillan (USC)	9.5
Ike Diogu (Arizona State)	9.0
Player	Assists
Andre Iguodala (Arizona)	6.3
Jason Braxton (Arizona State)	5.7
Cedric Bozeman (UCLA)	4.9
Chris Hernandez (Stanford)	4.8

Games to watch

Stanford at Arizona (Jan. 10 — Fox Sports Net): This early conference tilt pits the conference's top two teams. Hassan Adams against Matt Lotich is a top matchup.

California at Arizona State (Jan. 10 — FSN): Even though this one doesn't have the same intrigue as the Wildcats and the Cardinal, it features two potent offenses.

UCLA at Stanford (Jan. 22 — FSN): Can the new-look Bruins defeat their California contemporaries. This will be an early-season test for UCLA and head coach Ben Howland.

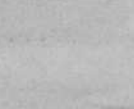
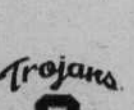
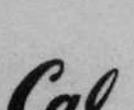
Oregon at Arizona (Jan. 25 — CBS): It's always a party when these two teams get together. Without Luke Ridnour, it will be a test for Luke Jackson and the Ducks.

Arizona State at Washington State (Jan. 29): Ike Diogu and the Sun Devils visit Pullman, which could be a dangerous place now that Dick Bennett is roaming the court.

Arizona at California (Feb. 5 — FSN): The Golden Bears always play tough at home, even in a down season. This game should show the Wildcats where they are nationally.

Oregon State at Oregon (4 p.m. — FSN): Because it's the Civil War. Because no Oregon player has ever lost to the Beavers. Because Luke Jackson will face OSU for the last time.

Arizona at Oregon (Feb. 19 — FSN): The second matchup of the season in what is becoming one of the top rivalries in the Pac-10. This one always gets interesting.



How they stack up — men

1. **Arizona:** The Wildcats have finished in the top two of the Pacific-10 Conference since 1996-97, and that won't change this season. Despite a lack of depth, Arizona has surged to the top of the conference. Andre Iguodala (with a league-leading 6.3 assists per game) helps pace the offense while Hassan Adams is fourth in the Pac-10 in scoring, averaging 17.6 points per game. If the Wildcats slip from grace, it wouldn't be so bad after all. They won the 1997 national championship after going 11-7 in conference play.

2. **Stanford:** No matter what the prognosticators say about Mike Montgomery's teams, they have a tendency to start strong. That has been the case this season. The Cardinal jumped to an 11-0 start, including wins over then-No. 1 Kansas and then-No. 15 Gonzaga. Matt Lotich has been a pleasant surprise for Stanford, averaging 13.5 points per game. Justin Davis provides size up front — he's 6-foot-9 — and is seventh in the Pac-10 with 7.5 rebounds per game.

3. **UCLA:** Relegated to the bottom half of the conference before the season by the media and coaches, the Bruins have surprised many, turning in a 6-3 record to start the season. UCLA needs to learn consistency, though, losing to UC Santa Barbara and being taken into overtime by Loyola Marymount during nonconference play. First-year head coach Ben Howland never finished worse than fifth in four years at Pittsburgh. Chances are that streak will continue this season.

4. **Oregon:** Easily the No. 3 team in the conference before Aaron Brooks' injury, the Ducks are the fastest team in the Pac-10. Luke Jackson is one of the most talented players in the conference and has proven, to a point, that he can shoulder the offensive load. Ian Crosswhite is coming into his own and has shown that he can be one of the top five big men in the conference. Oregon's season will come down to how well the team can gel in Brooks' absence.

5. **Arizona State:** Ike Diogu may be the best player in the Pac-10 this season, and he's just a sophomore. The Garland, Texas, native is averaging 23.7 points and nine rebounds per game. The problem for the Sun Devils is that he constitutes too much of their offense. Steve Moore averages 16 points per game for Arizona State in a secondary role. Fifth, however, is a respectable position in a conference that could send as many as six teams to the NCAA Tournament.

6. **California:** Once considered the third-best team in the Pac-10, California has fallen on hard times, evidenced by a 55-50 loss to lowly Washington State last week. Amit Tamir is a talent for the Golden Bears, but a slow start hindered him and California. Head coach Ben Braun has one of the brightest minds on the West Coast, but he will need help in pulling this team out of a season-long slump. So far this season, the Bears have lost to Air Force, University of Nevada-Las Vegas and Cal Poly.

7. **USC:** A second-place finish two seasons ago is a distant memory for head coach Henry Bibby and the Trojans. USC has been inconsistent to start the season, especially in losses to Brigham Young, Cal Poly and Western Michigan. Desmon Farmer averages 17.7 points per game, good for third in the Pac-10, and Jeff McMillan is third in the conference in rebounding at 9.5 per game. It will take more though for the Trojans to break through into NCAA Tournament territory. Can you say NIT?

8. **Washington State:** First-year head coach Dick Bennett has them believing in Pullman. Long considered conference doormats, the Cougars have not finished in the top five in the Pac-10 since a tie for fifth in 1995-96 and have also failed to win the conference crown since Arizona and Arizona State joined the league for the 1978-79 season. Still, Bennett and Marcus Moore should vault the Cougars into the Pac-10 Tournament.

9. **Oregon State:** The word is that the Beavers have improved, but to what extent? Their most impressive win came against Willamette, and Oregon State nearly lost to Sacramento State (they won by 3) on Dec. 22. Chris Stephens does give the Beavers a glimmer of hope. He averages 15.8 points per game for a team that shoots 42 percent from the field. Second-year head coach Jay John is still in the process of turning this program into a winner, but is still at least a few years away.

10. **Washington:** Really, what was the point of firing Bob Bender a few years ago? Granted, the Huskies had not done anything under Bender since the 1998-99 season when they went to the NCAA Tournament, but it's not much better under Lorenzo Romar. He led them to a 5-13 conference ledger last season and led Washington to a 5-5 overall record to start this season. That includes consecutive losses to California and Stanford, by 16 and 15 points respectively, to start the season.

—Hank Hager

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Ike Diogu
Arizona State
forward



Giuliana Mendiola
Washington
guard

Games to watch

Arizona at Stanford (Jan. 10): Much like the men, this game will be about bragging rights. The Wildcats and Cardinal are favorites to be on top in the Pac-10.

Arizona State at California (Jan. 10): The Sun Devils and Golden Bears are fighting for a piece of the Pac-10 pie. Both need this win to vault them onto the right track.

Oregon at Oregon State (Jan. 10): A Civil War contest with more than just those implications. The Beavers are walking on air while the Ducks are down in the dumps.

Oregon State at Washington (Jan. 17): The Northwest battle should be an early indication of where the teams will stack at the end of the season. Husky win?

USC at Stanford (Jan. 25): Rometra Craig and Ebony Hoffman pace the Trojans against the Cardinal in Palo Alto. USC has the legs to run with Stanford. Upset time?

Stanford at Arizona (Feb. 5): The rematch comes in the Valley of the Sun. By this time, the Cardinal should have Nicole Powell back and dominating the baseline.

USC at Washington (Feb. 7): The Trojans newfound glory will be tested against Giuliana Mendiola and Washington. The Huskies have the advantage in this one.

Arizona at Washington (Feb. 28): This one could be a precursor to the Pac-10 Tournament Championship. It comes in the final weekend of the regular season.

How they stack up — women

1. **Stanford:** No. 7 Stanford has come out of the gates strong — its two losses came against teams currently ranked in the top five — and is favored to win its fourth consecutive Pacific-10 Conference title. The Cardinal features one of the nation's top players, senior forward Nicole Powell, who is second in the conference in scoring (20.2) and tops in rebounding (11.1). Stanford has the talent and depth to not only win the conference but to have a shot at winning the national title.

2. **Arizona:** The Wildcats are led by the duo of sophomore center Shawnitice Polk and junior guard Dee-Dee Wheeler. At 6-foot-5, Polk dominated opponents to the tune of a school-record 21 double-doubles and Pac-10 Freshman of the Year honors last season. The Street & Smith's First Team Preseason All-American is currently fourth in the conference in scoring (17.2) and third in rebounding (9.2). Wheeler, the 2001-02 Pac-10 Freshman of the Year and first team all-conference selection last season, is sixth in the conference in scoring (16.9).

3. **Washington:** The Huskies have two of the conference's top three scorers at their disposal in seniors Giuliana Mendiola (20.8 ppg) and Andrea Lalum (17.8 ppg). The 5-foot-11 Mendiola became the first player in Washington history to be named the Pac-10 Player of the Year last season, along with becoming the 18th Husky to score 1,000 career points. Lalum, a 6-foot-4 center, has been solid inside and scored 15 points in a 74-70 loss to then-No. 4 Texas Tech on Dec. 19.

4. **Arizona State:** The Sun Devils have controlled the boards so far; they own the top rebounding margin (eight) in the conference. Sophomore Kristen Kovesdy leads the team with 6.2 rebounds per game. The 6-foot-3 forward posted season-highs of 29 points against Washington (Dec. 29) and 12 rebounds against Texas A&M Corpus Christi (Dec. 10). Junior forward Betsy Boardman is the Sun Devils' top scorer with 11.3 points per game. The Portland native missed last season after tearing the anterior cruciate ligament in her right knee on the second day of preseason practice. While Boardman is back, the Sun Devils are without the services of Jill Noe, who tore her ACL before the season. For two seasons in a row, Arizona State will be without a key piece of its offensive puzzle.

5. **Oregon State:** The Beavers received a shot of adrenaline on Dec. 27 in the form of junior guard Shannon Howell. The transfer from Nebraska became eligible due to NCAA Division I transfer rules and has been lighting it up ever since. In her first four games, Howell averaged 22.5 points per game en route to Pac-10 Player of the Week honors. With Howell in the lineup, Oregon State has won its last three games and is off to its best conference start since 1995-96. Whether she and the rest of the Beavers can keep it up is yet to be seen.

6. **USC:** Led by senior forward Ebony Hoffman, the Trojans have been a force in the paint. USC is third in the conference in rebounds per game (39.5) and leads the conference in offensive rebounding (16.36). The 6-foot-2 Hoffman is seventh in the conference in scoring (16.3) and second in rebounding (9.5). If the Trojans are going to be competitive, they will need to improve their shooting percentage, as USC ranks near the bottom of the Pac-10.

7. **UCLA:** The Bruins may have jump-started their season Sunday, overcoming a 14-point deficit in the second half to beat Oregon. UCLA is an athletic team whose full-court press is capable of keeping them in almost any game. Sophomore guard Nikki Blue is the Bruins' most feared player, averaging 15.3 points per game.

8. **California:** The Golden Bears won their Pac-10 opener for the first time in eight years when they defeated Oregon 61-57 on Dec. 27. California got off to a good start, winning four of its first five games. Senior guard Nihan Anaz (17.0), junior forward Leigh Gregory (12.3) and senior guard LaTasha O'Keith (10.0) are all averaging double figures in points.

9. **Oregon:** The Ducks looked like contenders for the conference title after five games, but the loss of senior forward Cathrine Kraayeveld to a knee injury quickly changed that. Oregon plays like a completely different team on both ends of the court. The Ducks have had problems dealing with pressure defenses and can't seem to grab a rebound when they need one. Junior center Andrea Bills has been a bright spot, averaging 12.2 points per game and 8.4 rebounds per game.

10. **Washington State:** The Cougars won't be making much of an impact on the conference standings this season, winning only four of their first 13 games. They're being outscored by an average of 17.2 points per game and rank near or at the bottom in most conference statistics. Senior forward Bianca McCall is the team's leading scorer at 11.5 points per game. The Cougars will make the Pac-10 Tournament, but only because all 10 women's teams are guaranteed a slot in the postseason tournament.

—Jon Roetman

2004 Oregon women

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Class
2	Chelsea Wagner	G	5'10"	Sophomore
4	Kayla Steen	G	5'8"	Senior
5	Ashley Allen	G	5'10"	Freshman
11	Kaela Chapdelaine	G	5'10"	Freshman
13	Corrie Mizusawa	G	5'8"	Junior
15	Carolyn Ganes	F	6'3"	Sophomore
21	Brandi Davis	G	6'0"	Junior
23	Kedzie Gunderson	F	6'0"	Junior
32	Y. Okwumabua	F	6'2"	Sophomore
33	C. Kraayeveld	F	6'4"	Senior
35	Cicely Oaks	G	5'7"	Freshman
43	Jessica Shettlers	F	6'6"	Freshman
44	Andrea Bills	C	6'3"	Junior
54	Eleanor Haring	F	6'1"	Freshman

Head coach: Bev Smith
 Associate head coach: Allison McNeill
 Assistant coaches: Mike McNeill, Peg Swadener

Oregon statistical leaders

Player	Points/game
Andrea Bills	12.2
Brandi Davis	7.4
Carolyn Ganes	6.9
Eleanor Haring	6.7
Corrie Mizusawa	6.5
Player	Rebounds/game
Andrea Bills	8.4
Eleanor Haring	3.5
Corrie Mizusawa	3.4
Kedzie Gunderson	3.4
Jessica Shettlers	2.8
Player	Assists
Corrie Mizusawa	9.5
Brandi Davis	2.3
Andrea Bills	2.0
Kedzie Gunderson	1.9
Chelsea Wagner	1.9

2004 Oregon schedule

November	
5	Strakonice (ex), W, 80-69
9	Western Oregon (ex), 87-29
15	Valparaiso, W, 60-47
16	LSU, W, 76-67
25	@ Gonzaga, W, 73-57
28	Kansas, W, 54-51
29	North Carolina State, W, 83-78
December	
4	@ Portland, L, 76-58
6	vs. Colorado State (in Portland), W, 62-50
12	Montana, W, 53-52
16	@ Santa Clara, W, 68-56
18	@ George Washington, L, 72-52
27	@ California, L, 61-57
29	@ Stanford, L, 77-51
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Pac-10 standings (as of Jan. 8)

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Stanford	11 2	4 0
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Oregon State	9 4	3 1
Arizona State	8 4	2 1
USC	5 8	2 1
California	9 4	2 2
UCLA	6 6	1 2
Washington	8 5	1 3
Oregon	8 6	0 4
Washington State	4 9	0 4

Pac-10 individual statistical leaders

Player	Points/Game
Giuliana Mendiola (Washington)	20.8
Nicole Powell (Stanford)	20.2
Andrea Lalum (Washington)	17.8
Shawnitice Polk (Arizona)	17.2
Nihan Anaz (California)	17.0
Player	Rebounds/Game
Nicole Powell (Stanford)	11.1
Ebony Hoffman (USC)	9.5
Shawnitice Polk (Arizona)	9.2
Andrea Bills (Oregon)	8.4