



## SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS MEDIA RELATIONS

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### Postgame Notes: vs. San José State | San Diego, Calif. | Monday, Feb. 8, 2021

## FINAL EDITION: San Diego State 85, San José State 54

**Records:** San Diego State 14-4, 8-3 MW; San José State 5-12; 3-10 MW

**Next Game:** Wed., Feb. 10 | vs. San José State, 8 p.m. PT | San Diego, Calif. | [TV/Stream:](#) CBSSN | [Radio:](#) 101.5 KGB & XTRA 1360

### Big Notes

- San Diego State has become the first Division I team to win five consecutive conference games by at least 25 points since Stanford did it in the 1999-00 season (the Cardinal finished 27-4 overall, 15-3 in the Pac-10 (conference champs) and finished third in the final AP Poll).
- San Diego State is the first Division I team this century to win five consecutive games by at least 25 points and score 85 or more points in each of those games (the 2001-02 Kansas and 1998-99 Duke teams each did it four straight games).
- San Diego State extends the following win streaks:
  - 5-game overall win streak (longest active win streak in the Mountain West Conference, matches SDSU's season-long win streak)
  - 6-game homecourt win streak (the Aztecs are 24-3 in their last 27 home games)
  - 9-game homecourt win streak against San José State (last Spartans win at SDSU came on Feb. 27, 1997, one month later head coach Steve Fisher and his assistant Brian Dutcher led Michigan to the postseason NIT title)
  - 6-game overall win streak against San José State (Brian Dutcher is 6-0 against the Spartans)
  - 12-game winning streak against teams from the state of California
- This is the fifth win streak of at least five games in the Brian Dutcher era (this is Coach Dutcher's fourth year as head coach). This is tied for the third-longest win streak of his tenure. The Aztecs won nine straight games (last six of the regular season and three games in the conference tournament) during his first season in 2017-18 and won the first 26 games of the 2019-20 campaign.
- San Diego State's average margin of victory during the win streak is 31.4 points.

### Team Notes

- Tonight, marked the fifth straight game that San Diego State has enjoyed a halftime lead. In each of those games, the Aztecs have led by at least 11 points.
- San Diego State had just one turnover in the first half and a season low five for the game.
- San Diego State enjoyed a +24-rebound margin, matching its best in that category this season (+24 at Air Force, 1-24-21). In its last five games, the Aztecs have outrebounded the competition, 212-116 (+19.2).
- San Diego State had a season-high 26 rebounds, its most since recording 26 offensive rebounds against Texas Southern on 11-5-19.
- San Diego State enjoyed a slight advantage in field goal percentage (36.6-to-34.0) and is 73-5 in the Dutcher era when owning an advantage in that category.
- San Diego State has won 15 straight games when owning an edge on the glass.

## **Player Notes**

### **Jordan Schakel – 23 points, 4-7 3FGs, 9-9 FTs, 3 rebounds**

This marked the ninth time in his career that he has scored at least 15 points (the Aztecs are 9-0) in those games... Reached double figures for a career-best sixth straight game, for the 13<sup>th</sup> time this season and the 43<sup>rd</sup> time in his career... He posted career highs for free throws made (9) and free throws attempted (9).. In his last six games, he is averaging 17.0 points, 3.0 rebounds and has connected on 53.1 percent from the field and 48.7 percent (19-of-39) from three-point range... He led the team in scoring for the ninth time this season and the 14<sup>th</sup> time in his career.

### **Nathan Mensah – 12 points, 9 rebounds, 3 steals, 1 blocked shot**

Posted his eighth game with 10 or more points this season and the 18<sup>th</sup> of his career... Seven of his nine rebounds were on the offensive glass, that is a career high, eclipsing the four offensive rebounds he pulled down on two occasion.

### **Joshua Tomaic – 12 points, 7 rebounds, 8-10 FTs**

Tomaic had a career-high 12 points, recording his second double figure scoring game of the season and third of his career... He also tied a season-high with seven rebounds and set career marks in free throws made (8) and attempted (10)... Tomaic has eight or more points in three consecutive games for the first time in his 80-game career.

### **Trey Pulliam – 10 points, 4-8 FGs, 5 assists, 3 rebounds, 2 steals**

Pulliam played his 50<sup>th</sup> career game (San Diego State is 44-6 in those games) and reached double figures in scoring for the second time this season and the third time in his career... This marked the sixth time this season he has posted at least five assists in a game.

### **Keshad Johnson – 8 points, 13 rebounds**

Johnson narrowly missed his first career double-double, but posted his second career game with 10 or more rebounds and ended up with a career-high 13 boards... This marked the fourth time this season he led the team in rebounding and the fifth time in his career.

### **Matt Mitchell – did not play**

Mitchell missed today's game with a sprained ankle. This is the third game he has missed this calendar year after playing in 111 consecutive games to start his career... He could return as early as Wednesday.

## **Entering Today**

- San Diego State was 21<sup>st</sup> in the NET (highest ranking of the season)
- San Diego State was 12<sup>th</sup> in RPI
- San Diego State was 16<sup>th</sup> in the Sagarin Ratings
- San Diego State was 19<sup>th</sup> in BPI (matches highest ranking this season)
- San Diego State was 21<sup>st</sup> in KenPom