



## SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS MEDIA RELATIONS

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### Postgame Notes vs. Brigham Young | Viejas Arena | San Diego, Calif. | Fri., Dec. 18, 2020

## FINAL EDITION

**Records:** No. 18/20 San Diego State 5-1; Brigham Young 7-2

**Next Game:** Tue., Dec. 22 | vs. Saint Mary's, 6 p.m. PT | San Luis Obispo, Calif. | [TV/Stream:](#) CBS Sports Network | [Radio:](#) 101.5 KGB & XTRA 1360

### Big Notes

- San Diego State overcomes a 17-point deficit to tie.
- The 17-point second half deficit is the third-largest overcome by the Aztecs in the last 25 seasons.
- San Diego State had its 17-game regular-season non-conference win streaks snapped. It was the longest streak in the country coming into the game.
- SDSU had its four-game winning streak snapped against BYU.
- The Aztecs are now 4-1 in the last five games they have trailed at the half.
- Entering today, the combined record of San Diego State's five Division I opponents, disregarding the 0-5 record against the Aztecs, is 21-9.
- San Diego State is 35-3 since the start of the 2019-20 season.
- The Aztecs trailed, 61-47, with 5:20 left in the game, then went on a 14-0 run to tie the game on a Matt Mitchell dunk with 1:56 left (3:24 stretch). Mitchell had 11 of the 14 points in the SDSU run.
- **Matt Mitchell** scored a career-high 35 points, the most by an Aztec since Malachi Flynn had 36 at Nevada on Feb. 29, 2020. The last Aztec with at least 35 points in a game prior to Mitchell and Flynn was Jamaal Franklin on March 3, 2012 at TCU (also 35 points).
- Mitchell was 12-for-17 from the field for 35 points, while the rest of the Aztecs were 9-for-40 for 27 points.

### Win Streaks Snapped

- 17-game non-conference streak
- 11-game non-conference homecourt win streak
- 8-game December win streak
- 5-game win streak
- 5-game homecourt win streak
- 4-game win streak against Brigham Young
- 4-game win streak against West Coast Conference games

### Team Notes

- San Diego State lost for the first time this season when committing fewer turnovers than its opponent. The Aztecs are now 5-1 this season when committing fewer turnovers and 57-8 in the Brian Dutcher era when committing fewer turnovers.
- SDSU outscored BYU, 15-9, in points off turnovers.
- San Diego State was outscored:
  - 22-11 off the bench

- 30-20 in the paint
- 11-4 in second-chance opportunities
- 12-9 in fast break chances

### **Entering Today**

- San Diego State was 5<sup>th</sup> in Strength of Record
- San Diego State was 14<sup>th</sup> in the Sagarin Ratings
- San Diego State was 25<sup>th</sup> in RPI
- San Diego State was 26<sup>th</sup> in BPI
- San Diego State was 29<sup>th</sup> in KenPom

### **Player Notes**

#### **Matt Mitchell – 35 points, 12-17 FG, 5-9 3PFG, 3 rebounds, 2 assists, 2 steals**

Scored a career-high 35 points, including 26 in the second half... Was 9-for-11 from the field in the second half, including 4-for-6 from three-point range... The 35 points were the most by an Aztec since Malachi Flynn had 36 at Nevada on Feb. 29, 2020... The last Aztec with at least 35 points in a game prior to Mitchell and Flynn was Jamaal Franklin on March 3, 2012 at TCU (also 35 points)... Mitchell was 12-for-17 from the field for 35 points, while the rest of the team was 9-for-40 for 27 points... Has one 20-point game this season and nine for his career (SDSU is 8-1 in those games)... It was also his 25th career game with at least 15 points (SDSU is now 23-2 in those games)... Also set career highs in field goals (12) and field goal attempts (17), while his five 3-pointers were a season best... Led the team in scoring for the second time this season and 15th time of his career... Is now 23-for-28 from the free-throw line over his last three games.

#### **Nathan Mensah – 8 points, 3 rebounds, 3 blocked shots, 1 assist**

Tied a season high with three blocked shots... Is now 13th all-time at SDSU with 70 blocked shots... Has six blocks over the last two games and multiple blocks in nine of his last 18 games.

#### **Adam Seiko – 6 points, 2-3 3PFG, 1 assist, 2 steals**

Tied a season high in both points (6) and steals (2)... Was 2-for-3 from three-point range after entering the game 1-for-8 on the season... Had multiple three-points for the ninth time of his career... The steal was one off a career high.

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