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San Diego State Postgame Notes vs. [6] Fresno State
MWC Tournament Quarterfinals
Thomas & Mack Center | Las Vegas, Nev.
Thursday, March 10, 2022

Next Game: Friday, March 11 | vs. [2] Colorado State, 9 p.m. PT | MWC Semifinals | Thomas & Mack Center | Las Vegas, Nev. | TV: CBSSN | Radio: 101.5 KGB, XTRA 1360

Records: San Diego State: 22-7 overall; 13-4 Mountain West; Fresno State: 19-13 overall; 8-9 Mountain West

Final Edition

Big Notes

- San Diego State ties a season-high with its fifth straight win and is 10-1 in its last 11 games.
- San Diego State defeats Fresno State for the third time this season and has won seven straight games against the Bulldogs.
- San Diego State wins its 15th consecutive opening game in the Mountain West Conference tournament. This is the third-longest active streak nationally, trailing only Gonzaga (25) and Akron (17). SDSU is tied with New Mexico State (15) as Michigan saw its 14-game win streak in conference openers snapped today.
- San Diego State wins its 40th game in Thomas & Mack Center since the start of the 2008-09 campaign. That is the most victories by any team in the nation in any venue in which it has not played a home game (Villanova is second with 33 wins at Madison Square Garden).
- San Diego State improves to 38-16 in the Mountain West tournament for a winning percentage of 70.4 percent. Those 38 wins are the most by any team – current or former – in league history (second currently is UNLV with 28).

Tournament Notes

- San Diego State advances to the semifinal round of the Mountain West tournament for the 15th consecutive season.
- San Diego State is 18-5 all-time in the quarterfinal round of this tournament. That is the most wins in this round of the event.
- The last time SDSU did not win its opening game of the conference tournament was 2007, when the third-seeded Aztecs fell to sixth-seeded Colorado State, 69-64.

Series Notes

- San Diego State leads the all-time series, 69-56.
- The Aztecs have won seven straight games in the series.
- SDSU is now 3-3 against Fresno State on neutral courts, including 2-2 at Thomas & Mack Center.
- San Diego State owns a 15-8 series advantage since Fresno State joined the Mountain West Conference.

Team Notes

- San Diego State snapped a five-game losing streak when trailing at the half. The Aztecs are now 2-6 on the season when trailing at the half.
- SDSU won its 36th straight game when leading with five minutes to play (20-0 this season). San Diego State is 109-7 in the Brian Dutcher era when leading with five minutes to play.
- The Aztecs held their seventh straight opponent to under 40 percent shooting. San Diego State is now 18-3 on the season (80-7 in the Brian Dutcher era) when its opponent shoots under 40 percent.
- SDSU improved to 18-1 on the season (84-10 in the Brian Dutcher era) when outrebounding its opponent.
- San Diego State improved to 20-2 on the season (101-7 in the Brian Dutcher era) when shooting better than its opponent.
- The Aztecs are now 16-5 on the season when their bench scores more than their opponent.
- SDSU scored its fewest points (53) in a Mountain West Tournament game win.

Game Notes

- San Diego State forced Fresno State into three shot clock turnovers in the first half.
- The Aztecs trailed by as many as eight points in the first half (21-13 with 2:38 remaining) but went on a 7-2 run to close the half.
- SDSU overcame a halftime deficit to win for just the second time this season and first time since Nov. 18 against Arizona State (trailed, 30-28, at the half and won, 65-63).
- San Diego State led for only 10 minutes, 20 seconds (10:20) of the game.
- The Aztecs bench outscored Fresno State's bench, 22-4.
- SDSU had a 28-22 edge in the paint.

Player Notes

Adam Seiko – 11 points, 3-3 3PFG, 1 assist, +15 plus/minus rating

Reached double-figures in scoring for the fifth time this season (SDSU is 5-0) and eighth time of his career (SDSU is 7-1) ... Led SDSU in scoring (tied) for the first time of his career ... SDSU improved to 21-4 for his career when he makes multiple 3-pointers in a game ... SDSU has won 14 of the last 15 games when he has multiple 3-pointers in a game ... San Diego State improved to 6-0 on the season when he made at least three 3-pointers in a game ... Was 3-for-3 from the three-point line, marking the second time this season he made at least three 3-point field goals without a miss (also vs. Saint Mary's on Dec. 17) ... Became the first Aztec in Mountain West Tournament history with at least three made 3-pointers without a miss ... Had the highest plus/minus rating (+15) in the game.

Chad Baker-Mazara – 11 points, 5 rebounds, 1 steal

Reached double-figures in scoring for the sixth time this season (SDSU is 5-1) and 11th time of his career ... Led SDSU in scoring (tied) for the third time this season (SDSU is 3-0) and sixth time of his career (SDSU is 6-0) ... Scored 11 points in just 15 minutes, 13 seconds (15:13).

Trey Pulliam – 10 points, 2 rebounds, 2 assists, 1 steal

Scored in double-figures for the 12th time this season (SDSU is 10-2) and 20th time of his career (SDSU is 18-2) ... Has scored in double figures in four of the last five games (the other game he scored nine points) ... Is 24-for-50 (48.0 pct.) over the five-game stretch ... Before this stretch, he had four double-digit scoring games over his previous 17 games (from Nov. 30 vs. Long Beach State to Feb. 22 at Boise State).

Nathan Mensah – 6 points, 6 rebounds, 5 blocked shots, 1 assist, 1 steal

Had a season-high five blocked shots, one off his career high ... His five blocked shots were tied for the most in a Mountain West Tournament game by an Aztec (also Valentine Izundo at UNLV on March 8, 2017).