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San Diego State Postgame Notes vs. UNLV
Thomas & Mack Center | Las Vegas, Nev.
Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022

FINAL SCORE: San Diego State 62, UNLV 55

Next Game: Wednesday, Jan. 5 | vs. Fresno State, 7:30 p.m. PT | San Diego, Calif. | TV: FS1 | Radio: 101.5 KGB | XTRA 1360

Next Media Availability: Tuesday, Jan. 4 | more information to follow

Big Notes

- Brian Dutcher has been on the SDSU sidelines for 35 of SDSU's 39 victories in the series. Those 35 wins have come against 10 different UNLV head coaches (Bill Bayno, Max Good, Charlie Spoonhour, Jay Spoonhour, Lon Kruger, Dave Rice, Todd Simon, Marvin Menzies, T.J. Otzelberger and Kevin Kruger).
- San Diego State has won 15 straight games overall vs. Mountain West competition (last loss at Utah State, 1-16-21).
- Since March 5, 2014, San Diego State is 12-1 at UNLV (games played at Thomas & Mack Center), while the rest of the nation is 37-85.
- San Diego State is 7-1 in its last eight games and 18-2 in its last 20 games against UNLV regardless of location.
- San Diego State has won a season-high four consecutive games.
- San Diego State snaps UNLV's eight-game homecourt win streak against teams not ranked in the AP Top 25 at the time of the game.
- San Diego State wins its sixth straight Mountain West Conference road game and is 15-2 in its last 17 league road contests.

Big Picture

- San Diego State's 9-3 record is identical to its mark after 12 games last season.
- SDSU is 3-3 away from home this season with neutral court victories over Georgetown and Saint Mary's as well as today's road win at UNLV.

Team Notes

- San Diego State held UNLV to 29.7 percent field goal shooting. That is the lowest for the Runnin' Rebels since they shot 29.0 percent against No. 14 North Carolina on Nov. 30, 2020 (neutral site game). The last time they were held to this percentage or lower at Thomas & Mack Center was Jan. 4, 2017, against Boise State.
- This is the sixth time since the start of the 2019-20 campaign that the Aztecs have held an opponent to 30 percent or less from the field.
- This is the 38th time since Brian Dutcher stepped foot on the San Diego State campus that the Aztecs have held an opponent to 30.0 percent or less field goal shooting (the Aztecs are 38-0 in those games).
- San Diego State outrebounded UNLV, 55-42. For the Aztecs, it is season highs in offensive rebounds (19), defensive rebounds (36), total rebounds (55) and rebound margin (+13).

Trends

- San Diego State has won 22 straight games and is 60-3 the last 63 times it has led at the half.
- San Diego State has won 26 straight games when outrebounding its opponent (55-42).
- San Diego State owned a field goal shooting advantage (33.8-29.7) and is now 61-2 the last 63 times it has had an advantage in the category.
- San Diego State held its opponent to less than 60 points for the seventh time this season and is 64-3 the last 67 times it had done that.

Player Notes

Matt Bradley - game-high 17 points, 7 rebounds, 2 steals

Reached double figures for a team-high 10th time this season (SDSU is 9-1 in those games) and the 81st time in his career... His seven rebounds are one off his season high of eight set against Arizona State (11-18-21)... Led San Diego State in scoring for a team-high 6th time this season... This was his sixth straight double-digit scoring game (a high in his time with the Aztecs)... Has five three-point field goals in his last two games after making eight treys in his first 10 games this season.

Keeshad Johnson – 10 points, game-high 11 rebounds, 4-8 FGs

Recorded his first career double-double... Led the team in rebounding for the third time this season and in his career... Posted his third double-digit scoring game of the season and the fifth of his career (SDSU is 5-0 in those games)... This is the third time in his career he has reached double figures on the glass (SDSU is 3-0 in those games)... This is the first time in his 54-game career that he has scored in double figures in consecutive games (13 vs. UCSD and 10 at UNLV)... In his last two games he has 23 points, 18 rebounds, 4 assists, 4 blocked shots, 10-16 FGs in 57 total minutes.

Nathan Mensah – 10 points, 7 rebounds, 4 blocked shots

Recorded his sixth game this season with at least three blocked shots... Has three blocked shots or more in three of his last four games... Tied a season-high with four blocked shots (also: vs. Georgetown, 11-25-21)... Has recorded multiple blocked shots in 10 consecutive games (26 total)... Scored in double figures for a second consecutive game (19 vs. UCSD and 10 at UNLV)... Now has 130 career blocked shots, which moved him past Malcolm Thomas (127) and into third place on the school's all time list, trailing only Skyler Spencer (303) and Leonard Allen (214).

Chad Baker-Mazara – 11 points, 5 rebounds, 2 blocked shots, 1 steal, 5-6 FGs

Set season highs for points (11) and tied a season-high with two blocked shots... It was the first double-digit scoring game of his Aztec career and the sixth time he has scored at least 10 points in a game in his career... Was 5-for-6 from the field (entered the game with 13 made field goals this season)... Has 10 rebounds in his last two games (28 total minutes)... Scored in six consecutive games (39 total points).

Adam Seiko – 4 points, 7 rebounds, team-high 3 assists, 38 minutes

Posted a career-best seven rebounds (previous high was five), had a season best three assists and played a career-high 38 minutes... This marks the first time in his 98-game career that he led the team (tied or outright) in assists (he was the outright leader today)... His career-long double-figure scoring streak was snapped at three games but was outstanding playing 38 minutes with two starting guards sitting out... Was 2-for-2 from the line and has now made 14 of his last 15 free throw attempts... Played 30 or more minutes in a career-long five straight games.

Aguek Arop – 9 points, 8 rebounds, 4 steals, 22 minutes

Matched his season high for scoring with nine points and set career-bests for rebounds (8) and steals (tied, 4)... Played a season-high 22 minutes... Scored in three straight games (15 points total), matching a season-long streak... Has eight steals in his last three games (had 44 in the first 79 games of his career).

Keith Dinwiddie Jr. – 1 point, 2 rebounds, 2 assists, 0 turnovers

Made his first career start today... This is his 19th career game... Tied a career-high with two rebounds and two assists... Second time in his career that he has posted multiple assists without a turnover. Scored in three consecutive games, one off of his career high.

Trey Pulliam - DNP

Missed the first game of his Aztecs career, snapping a 71-game streak, which included 39 straight starts... He started every game during the 2020-21 campaign and had started every game during the 2021-22 season prior to today.

Lamont Butler - DNP

Missed his fifth consecutive game due to injury... Although he took part in pregame warmups, he has not played in a game since Nov. 30, 2021 (Long Beach State).

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