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San Diego State vs. Fresno State Postgame Notes Save Mart Center | Fresno, Calif. February 24, 2024

Final Score: No. 19 San Diego State 73, Fresno State 41

Next Game: Tuesday, Feb. 27 | 8 p.m. PT | vs. San Jose State | Steve Fisher Court at Viejas Arena | San Diego, Calif. | TV: CBS Sports Network | Radio: San Diego Sports 760

Lead Changes: 0 | Ties: 0

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<u>Big Notes</u>

- Forward **Jaedon LeDee** records his 10th double double of the season (22 points, 11 rebounds) and is the first Aztec to reach 10-plus double doubles in a season since Jalen McDaniels totaled 11 in the 2018-19 campaign.
- San Diego State improves to 28-3 in its last 31 games immediately following a loss.
- San Diego State has held Fresno State to 84 points in its last two games at Save Mart Center.
- Head Coach Brian Dutcher has recorded 21 victories in a season for the seventh consecutive season.
- San Diego State's 26-point halftime lead (42-16) is its largest against a Division I opponent this year, the largest against Fresno State under Brian Dutcher and the largest for the program since a 27-point (46-19) advantage vs. McNeese on Nov. 17, 2017.
- San Diego State held Fresno State to 41 points, 28.1 points below its season average, 28.8 below its home average, and its fewest points this season.
- In San Diego State's last two games it has held its opponent (Utah State and Fresno State) to a combined 46.2 points below their season averages on their home floors.
- The Aztecs grabbed a season-high 52 rebounds in the victory.

<u>Team Notes</u>

• San Diego State has a conference-best road-winning percentage to 62.1 percent (59-36), since the start of 2013-14 season.

- San Diego State moves to 100-100 all-time in Mountain West road games and is the only program, among the original six teams still in the league to have at least a .500 record in conference road contests.
- The Aztecs are now 5-2 this season, 49-22 under Brian Dutcher, and 103-46 in their last 149 games which have been contested on a Saturday.
- As a ranked team, San Diego State is 9-0 against Fresno State, including an astounding 7-0 at Save Mart Center.
- SDSU is now 27-33 overall in Fresno, including 11-4 at Save Mart Center against Fresno State.
- Head coach Brian Dutcher's career record is 172-54 (.761), which is the sixth-best active winning percentage in the nation since he took the helm of the Aztecs program prior to the 2017-18 season.
- San Diego State improves to 19-0 this season, 154-16 under Brian Dutcher and 217-24 in its last 241 games when it takes a lead into the half.
- The Aztecs are 19-0 this year, 155-10 under Brian Dutcher and have won 408 of its last 422 when leading with five minutes to play.
- SDSU's bench outscores its opponent's bench for the 20th consecutive game after achieving it in just three of its first eight contests.
- SDSU stands at 117-28 (.807) under Brian Dutcher and 243-53 (.821) in its last 296 games when outscoring the opponent's bench.
- Under Brian Dutcher, the Aztecs are 42-10 (.808) in games in February and as a program has won 69 of its last 92 (69-23) games in the second month of the year.
- As a program, SDSU is now 259-144 (.643) all-time in Mountain West games.
- The Aztecs wear their white uniforms on the road for the first time since they played at Stanford on Nov. 15, 2022 in a 74-62 win.
- San Diego State limited Fresno State, which was averaging 68.8 points per game at home, to 41 points, its lowest point output this season.
- The Aztecs are 15-3 this season, 125-15 (.893) under Brian Dutcher and 266-41 (.866) in its last 307 games in which they outrebound their opponent.
- San Diego State is 13-3 this season in games in which it has fewer turnovers than its opponent.
- San Diego State hands the Bulldogs their seventh home loss overall and fifth Mountain West home loss of the season.
- San Diego State sweeps the regular-season series against Fresno State for the fourth straight season in which the teams have played a home-and-home series since the start of the 2019-20 season. (SDSU won the only meeting in the 2022-23 season)
- The Aztecs five turnovers equals its second fewest in a game this season (also: vs. California on Nov. 25, 2023).
- San Diego State improves to 3-0 this season, 19-1 under Brian Dutcher and have won 8 straight when holding its opponent to under 50 points in a game.
- SDSU outscores Fresno State in the following situations:
 - 18-2 off the bench
 - 14-8 in second-chance opportunities
 - 8-3 on turnovers
 - 17-0 in fast break opportunities

- 28-12 in points in the paint

Series Notes

- San Diego State improves to 72-56 against Fresno State and has won its last 10 in a row against the Bulldogs, regardless of location.
- SDSU's 10-game win streak against Fresno State is currently its second longest against a Mountain West opponent trailing both San Jose State and Wyoming (11 straight).
- Head coach Brian Dutcher improves to 11-4 against Fresno State, which includes a 6-2 mark at Save Mart Center.
- San Diego State's 27 all-time road wins at Fresno State are the program's most against any current Mountain West program.

Game Flow

- San Diego State won the tip (Jaedon LeDee to Jay Pal).
- San Diego State's Micah Parris scored the first points of the game on a layup at the 18:43 mark on an assist from Jaedon LeDee.
- SDSU scored the first 12 points of the game and held Fresno State off the scoreboard until 15:10 to play in the first half.
- In the first 9:09, San Diego State held the Bulldogs to 1-of-10 from the field (.100), including 1-of-8 (.125) from the bonus distance and led 22-4.
- San Diego State's 26-point (42-16) halftime lead is its largest against a Division I opponent this year.
- San Diego State led by as many as 32 points four times in the second half, before winning by that margin.
- Scores at each media timeout:

First Half, 14:58: San Diego State 12, Fresno State 3 (+9) First Half, 10:51: San Diego State 22, Fresno State 4 (+18) First Half, 7:02: San Diego State 29, Fresno State 8 (+21) First Half, 3:48: San Diego State 36, Fresno State 10 (+26) Halftime: San Diego State 42, Fresno State 16 (+26) Second Half, 16:00: San Diego State 52, Fresno State 23 (+29) Second Half, 11:36: San Diego State 57, Fresno State 29 (+28) Second Half, 6:52: San Diego State 68, Fresno State 36 (+32) Second Half, 3:54: San Diego State 70, Fresno State 39 (+31) Final: San Diego State 73, Fresno State 41 (+32)

<u>Player Notes</u>

Jaedon LeDee – 21 points, 8-11 FG, 1-1 3FG, 5-6 FT, 11 rebounds, 2 assists, 3 blocks

Achieved his 10th double double of the season and is the first Aztec to have 10+ double doubles in a season since Jalen McDaniels had 11 in 2018-19 season... Scored in double figures for the 27th time this season in 27 appearances... Now has 46 career double-figure scoring games, 38 of which have come in the 66 games he has played as an Aztec... Recorded his 16th 20-point game of the season... Led SDSU in scoring for the 20th time this season... Led the team in rebounds for the 20th game this season and 39th of his career... Set a season best with 3 blocks... Over the last four games, has totaled 95 points (23.8/game) and is shooting 68.8 percent (33-of-48) from the floor, 73.0 percent (27-of-37) from the line and 66.7 percent (2-of-3) from the bonus distance.

Jay Pal – 14 points, 6-9 FG, 2-3 FT, 5 rebounds

Reached double figure scoring for the fifth time this season and 32^{nd} of his career... His six field goals are a season high... His plus/minus (+25) was one of four on the team that were +20 or higher.

Reese Waters - 12 points, 5-11 FG, 2-6 3FG, 3 rebounds

Reached double figure scoring for the 17th time this season and 33rd of his career... Has scored in double figures coming off the bench in each of the last two games.

Micah Parrish – 10 points, 3-10 FG, 2-5 3FG, 2-2 FT, 7 rebounds, 1 assist, 1 steal, 1 block

Reached double-figures in points for the 14th time this season and 56th time in his career... Snapped a four-game streak without scoring in double figures...Knocked down multiple 3-pointers for the 10th time this season.

Entering Today

- San Diego State was one of six teams in the top 100 in the NET without a Quad 2, 3 or 4 loss.
- San Diego State was 18th in NET.
- San Diego State was 18th in KenPom.
- San Diego State was 13th in KPI.
- San Diego State was 26th in T-Rank.
- San Diego State was 31st in BPI.

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