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Postgame Football Notes – San Diego State at Utah State

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Big Notes

- San Diego State's 31-point victory marks Utah State's worst home loss to an unranked team since a 38-point loss to Hawai'i on Oct. 23, 2010.
- SDSU has outscored its opposition by 59 points this season (72-13).
- San Diego State improved to 2-0 for the fourth time in the last five seasons (2016, 2017, 2019 and 2020).
- The Aztecs improved to 2-0 in conference play for the fifth time in the last six seasons (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2020).
- San Diego State improved to 46-2 over its last 48 games when rushing for at least 200 yards.
- SDSU is now 6-1 in its last seven road games dating back to the beginning of the 2019 season.
- San Diego State handed Utah State only its third loss in its last 14 home games and just its second loss in its last 10 conference home games.
- SDSU won its conference-opening road game for the sixth straight season.
- The Aztecs have now gone 38 straight quarters without allowing more than one score, which is the longest active streak in FBS play. The last time SDSU allowed multiple scores in a quarter was the second quarter vs. Wyoming on Oct. 12, 2019. San Diego State has allowed just 107 points over the last 38 quarters (2.82 points per quarter).
- SDSU outrushed Utah State by 304 yards (407-103), which is the fifth-largest margin in program history, largest since a 384-yard advantage Nov. 12, 2016 at Nevada.
- The Aztecs are now 40-0 in the Division I history (since 1969) when outrushing its opponent by at least 200 yards.
- SDSU's 355-yard margin is the 10th highest in school history and most since a 448-yard advantage at San Jose State on Nov. 4, 2017.
- San Diego State has 21 straight wins when owning a +3 turnover advantage and a 72-6 record in its Division I era.

Streaks

- Brady Hoke-coached Aztec teams have now won four consecutive games and seven straight against teams not ranked in the AP Top 25 at game time. Hoke's current four-game winning streak matches his longest with the school (won four consecutive from Oct. 16-Nov. 6, 2010).
- SDSU won its ninth straight game played in the Mountain Time Zone. That is the second-longest active streak nationally and tops among schools not located in the MTZ (Utah, 12).
- San Diego State won its sixth consecutive game played during the month of October.
- The Aztecs have won their last two games against teams from the Beehive State. SDSU defeated Brigham Young, 13-3, on Nov. 30, 2019 at SDCCU Stadium. The Aztecs are 5-1 in their last six contests against teams from the state of Utah.

Series Notes

- San Diego State leads the all-time series with Utah State, 13-2.
- The Aztecs have won 11 of the last 12 encounters between the teams.
- San Diego State improved to 5-0 all-time in games against the Aggies in Logan, with victories in 1947, 1973, 1975, 2016 and 2020.

Team Notes

- SDSU has 12 of its last 15 games (12-3), 30 of its last 42 (30-12), 37 of its last 51 (37-14), 50 of its last 65 (50-15) and 51 of its last 69 since the 2015 season (51-18).
- San Diego State has won four straight games dating back to last season by a combined score of 133-27. The Aztecs have outscored their last three opponents, 120-24.
- The Aztecs outgained Utah State, 199-6, in the third quarter.
- SDSU had its most first downs in a game (30) since recording 31 at San Jose State on Nov. 4, 2017.
- San Diego State's 407 rushing yards are its most since running for 554 at San Jose State on Nov. 4, 2017.
- The Aztecs held Utah State to a pass efficiency rating of 86.15. SDSU is 31-1 since the start of 2015 when holding its opponent below a 110.0 pass efficiency rating and 53-7 since 2009.
- The Aztecs have one turnover or less in 14 of their last 15 games.
- SDSU has allowed just 178 points over its last 15 games (11.9 ppg).
- The Aztecs have held their opponents to single-digits in points 17 times since the 2015 season (69 games).

Trends

- San Diego State did not start with the ball for just the 15th time over the last 112 games.
- The Aztecs held their opponents scoreless on their opening possession for the second time this season and 51st time since 2015 (69 games).
- SDSU won its eighth straight game when scoring in the first quarter.
- San Diego State won its sixth straight game when scoring first, and improved to 2-0 on the season and 9-3 in the Brady Hoke era.
- The Aztecs won their sixth straight game when leading after the first quarter, and improved to 2-0 on the year and 9-5 in the Brady Hoke era.
- SDSU won its 18th consecutive game when holding its opponent scoreless in the first quarter.
- San Diego State won its 10th straight game when leading at the half, and improved to 2-0 on the season and 14-3 in the Brady Hoke era.
- The Aztecs won their 11th straight game when leading after three quarters, and is 2-0 on the season and 13-3 in the Brady Hoke era.

Player Notes

* **Greg Bell, Sr., RB (22 att., 157 yds, 1 TD | 2 rec., 29 yds., 1 TD)**

- Ran for 157 yards and a touchdown on 22 attempts (7.1 avg.), while adding two catches for 29 yards and a touchdown
- Set career highs in rushing yards (157), attempts (22), receiving yards (29), all-purpose yards (186) and total touchdowns (2)
- Recorded his second straight 100-yard rushing game as an Aztec and third of his career (also vs. Colorado on Sept. 8, 2018 while with Nebraska)
- Now has three 100-yard rushing games in six career Division I games
- The 157 rushing yards were the most by an Aztec since Juwan Washington had 158 against Hawai'i on Nov. 24, 2018
- Recorded his second career rushing touchdown and first career receiving score (all this season)

* **Chance Bell, Jr., RB (10 att., 98 yds., 1 TD)**

- Ran for 98 yards on 10 carries (9.8 avg.) with a touchdown
- Scored his third touchdown of the season and fifth of his career

* **Jordan Byrd, Jr., RB (1 att., 73 yds., 1 TD)**

- Ran for a 73-yard touchdown
- The rushing touchdown was his first of the season and fifth of his career

* **Carson Baker, So., QB (18-for-27, 163 yards, 2 TD, 0 INT)**

- Was 18-for-27 for 163 yards and two touchdowns without throwing an interception
- Improved to 3-0 as a starting quarterback
- Threw a career-high two touchdown passes, and now has three this season and four for his career
- Has not thrown an interception for his career in 79 pass attempts

* **Kobe Smith, Jr., WR (6 rec., 64 yds., 1 TD)**

- Caught six passes for 64 yards and a touchdown
- Recorded his first touchdown of the season and fifth of his career
- It is the second straight season that Smith scored against Utah State

Other Notes

- WAR Tariq Thompson started for the 41st consecutive game, the longest streak on the team (offense/defense)
- WAR Tariq Thompson and LS Turner Bernard each played in their 41st straight games, the longest streaks on the team
- LB Seyddrick Lakalaka recorded his first career interception
- DE Keshawn Banks and LB Michael Shawcroft each forced their first career fumble
- Shawcroft recovered a fumble for the second straight game
- Tonight's weather was 55 degrees
- Tonight's attendance was 5,116

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