



## SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS MEDIA RELATIONS

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### San Diego State vs. New Mexico Postgame Notes

The Pit | Albuquerque, N.M.

February 25, 2023

**Final Score:** No. 22 San Diego State 73, New Mexico 71

**Next Game:** Tue., February 28 | at Boise State, 7 p.m. MT | ExtraMile Arena | Boise, Idaho | TV: CBS Sports Network | Radio: San Diego Sports 760

**Records:** San Diego State: 23-5 overall, 14-2 Mountain West; New Mexico: 20-9 overall, 7-9 Mountain West

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#### Big Notes

- San Diego State wins at least a share of the Mountain West regular season title and can win it outright with one victory in its final two games.
- SDSU wins its fifth Mountain West title in the Brian Dutcher era and its 15<sup>th</sup> since the start of the 2001-02 season.
- Lamont Butler hit a 3-pointer as the clock expired to give San Diego State a 73-71 win.
- In its last 38 true road games, SDSU has a 30-8 (78.9 percent) record.
- San Diego State records at least 23-wins in a season in 12 of the last 15 campaigns.
- Head Coach Brian Dutcher records his fourth consecutive season with at least 23 wins in his six seasons of leading the program, and has never coached a team that didn't win at least 21 games.
- SDSU wins the 22nd of its last 25 Mountain West games overall (22-3).
- San Diego State improves to 80-24 (.769) in Mountain West games in the Brian Dutcher era, the start of the 2017-18 season, including a 32-18 mark in conference road games in that time frame.
- In Mountain West road games, San Diego State has won nine of its last 10 (9-1), 17 of its last 21 (17-4) and improves to 97-94 in league road games since the inception of the conference, at the start of the 1999-00 campaign.
- SDSU improves to 142-45 (.759) under Brian Dutcher.
- San Diego State, as a top-25 team, moves to 6-6 when it has played New Mexico and 2-3 when it is ranked and playing the Lobos in The Pit.
- San Diego State's 10-point halftime deficit matches its season high, which occurred vs. New Mexico at Viejas Arena on Jan. 14, 2023.

#### Team Notes

- The Aztecs move to 130-9 in the Brian Dutcher era when leading with five minutes to play.
- SDSU moves to 5-2 on the season and 48-67 in its last 115 games in which it trails at the half.
- San Diego State improves to 8-1 this season in true road games, 39-22 in the Brian Dutcher era and 94-51 in its last 145 road contests.
- SDSU improves to 19-2 on the season when outrebounding its opponent and 104-12 under Brian Dutcher.
- The Aztecs improve to 6-2 on the season when committing more turnovers than their opponent and is 95-57 in its last 152 games when its opponent commits fewer turnovers.
- San Diego State improves to 94-44 in its last 138 Saturday games.
- SDSU moves to 6-0 this year, 37-7 in the Brian Dutcher era and 64-20 in its last 84 games in the month of February.
- SDSU's bench outscore the Lobos, 19-15. San Diego State is now 19-4 on the season and 21-22 under Brian Dutcher when its bench outscore its opponent.
- The Aztecs outscore New Mexico, 12-9, off turnovers.
- SDSU outscored the Lobos, 11-5, in second chance points.

### **Series Notes**

- San Diego State moves to 13-30 in games against New Mexico in The Pit.
- The Aztecs improve to 27-23 against New Mexico in the Mountain West era, regardless of location, and 44-49 in the all-time series.
- In the last eight games between the two programs, San Diego State is 6-2, regardless of location.
- In the last 10 seasons in which there has been a home-and-home series between the programs, San Diego State has swept both contests, split five and New Mexico has had one sweep.
- San Diego State moves to 7-3 in the 10 regular-season games the two teams have played when the Aztecs have been nationally ranked, all since the 2010-11 season.

### **Game Flow**

- San Diego State's Nathan Mensah won the opening tip to Lamont Butler.
- Nathan Mensah scored the Aztecs first points on a jumper from the nail at 19:39 with an assist from Lamont Butler.
- San Diego State hit 4-of-6 field goals at the first media timeout to the Lobos 1-of-6 and led 8-2 at the 15:36 mark.

### **Entering Today**

- San Diego State was 10<sup>th</sup> in NET Strength of Schedule
- San Diego State was 9<sup>th</sup> in T-Rank
- San Diego State was 10<sup>th</sup> in KPI
- San Diego State was 16<sup>th</sup> in the NET
- San Diego State was 16<sup>th</sup> in Kenpom
- San Diego State was 24<sup>th</sup> in BPI
- San Diego State was 27<sup>th</sup> in Sagarin.

### **Player Notes**

**Darrion Trammell – 18 points, 6-of-15 FG, 4-of-9 3FG, 2 rebounds, 3 assists**

Scored at least 10 points in a game for the 13<sup>th</sup> time this season and 62<sup>nd</sup> time of his career... Recorded multiple steals for the 12<sup>th</sup> time as an Aztec and 45<sup>th</sup> time in his college career... Led the team in scoring for the 4<sup>th</sup> time in 2022-23 and the 30<sup>th</sup> time in his career (18-12).

**Matt Bradley – 11 points, 5 rebounds, 7 assists**

Reached double figure scoring for the 19<sup>th</sup> time this season and 116<sup>th</sup> time of his career... It is his fifth straight double-digit scoring game... Led the team in assists for seventh time this year and 37<sup>th</sup> time of his college career... Seven assists matches his assist career high against a Division I opponent...

**Lamont Butler – 10 points, 4 rebounds, 1 steal**

Reached double figure scoring for the 11<sup>th</sup> time this season and 23<sup>rd</sup> of his career... He hit the game winning 3-pointer as the clock expired... Totaled at least four rebounds for the fourth time this year (4-0) and 14<sup>th</sup> time as an Aztec (14-2).

**Kesahd Johnson – 10 rebounds, 9 points, 4-of-7 FG, 1-of-1 3FG, 2 blocks**

Recorded his second double digit rebounding game in the last three and his fourth this season and eighth of his career... Led the team in rebounding for the 10<sup>th</sup> time this season (8-2) and the 20<sup>th</sup> time as an Aztec (16-4)... Totaled multiple blocks for the 6<sup>th</sup> time in his career (6-0).

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