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San Diego State Postgame Notes vs. [3] No. 23/24 Colorado State MWC Tournament Semifinals
Thomas & Mack Center | Las Vegas, Nev.
Friday, March 11, 2022

Next Game: Saturday, March 12 | vs. [1] Boise State / [4] Wyoming, 3 p.m. PT | MWC Championship | Thomas & Mack Center | Las Vegas, Nev. | TV: CBS |

Radio: 101.5 KGB, XTRA 1360

Records: San Diego State: 23-7 overall; Colorado State: 25-5 overall

Final Edition

Big Notes

- San Diego State improves to 16-15 in games against all ranked opposition since the start of the 2013-14 season.
- San Diego State is one of 11 teams in the nation to have a winning record against AP Top 25 teams during that span (min. 31 games played). The list: Villanova, Duke, Kansas, Gonzaga, Virginia, Arizona, Michigan State, Oregon, Kentucky, Baylor and San Diego State).
- San Diego State wins its season-high sixth straight game and is 11-1 in its last 12 games.
- San Diego State advances to the championship game of the Mountain West Conference tournament for the fifth consecutive year and the record 14th time in league history (UNLV is second with eight appearances).
- San Diego State is 14-4 all-time in the semifinal round of this tournament. That is the most wins in this round of the event.
- San Diego State's 31 conference tournament wins since the 2008-09 season are the most in the country over that span (Gonzaga is second at 30).
- San Diego State wins its 41st 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 34 wins at Madison Square Garden).
- San Diego State improves to 39-16 in the Mountain West tournament for a winning percentage of 70.9 percent. Those 39 wins are the most by any team current or former in league history (UNLV is second with 28).

AP Ranking Notes

- San Diego State is now 38-104 in its Division I era against AP Top 25 teams. Brian Dutcher has been the head coach for nine of those games and has been on the bench for 29 of those victories.
- This is a school-record fourth consecutive season San Diego State has won multiple games against AP Top 25 teams.
- The Aztecs have posted a .500 or better record against AP Top 25 competition in each of the last four seasons.
- San Diego State is 4-2 in its last six games against AP Top 25 teams.
- The Aztecs are 26-29 against AP Top 25 teams since the start of 2008-09. SDSU was 12-75 against ranked opponents prior to that time.

Series Notes

- San Diego State is 8-2 in its last 10 games against Colorado State.
- San Diego State leads the all-time series, 48-43.
- The Aztecs win the season series, 2-1, and are 8-2 in the last 10 meetings.
- SDSU is now 5-2 against Colorado State on neutral courts, including 4-2 at Thomas & Mack Center.
- San Diego State owns a 36-16 record against CSU in the Mountain West Conference era.

Team Notes

- San Diego State improves to 21-1 on the season when leading at the half with 12 straight victories and 104-12 in the Brian Dutcher era.
- SDSU won its 37th straight game when leading with five minutes to play (21-0 this season). San Diego State is 110-7 in the Brian Dutcher era when leading with five minutes to play.
- SDSU improved to 19-1 on the season (85-10 in the Brian Dutcher era) when outrebounding its opponent.
- The Aztecs are now 17-5 on the season when their bench scores more than their opponent.
- In the two Mountain West Tournament games, SDSU's bench is outscoring its opponents, 49-14.

Game Notes

- Scores at each media timeout:
 - 1st Half, 14:45: Colorado State 14, San Diego State 7
 - 1st Half, 12:00: San Diego State 15, Colorado State 14
 - 1st Half, 7:42: San Diego State 24, Colorado State 19
 - 1st Half, 3:42: San Diego State 28, Colorado State 22
 - Halftime: San Diego State 35, Colorado State 26
 - 2nd Half, 15:15: San Diego State 39, Colorado State 30
 - 2nd Half, 11:44: San Diego State 43, Colorado State 35
 - 2nd Half, 6:42: San Diego State 47, Colorado State 41
 - 2nd Half, 6:23: San Diego State 47, Colorado State 41
 - 2nd Half, 3:53: San Diego State 52, Colorado State 44
 - Final: San Diego State 63, Colorado State 58
- Colorado State made its first six field goals of the game but was just 4-for-14 for the rest of the first half.
- The Aztecs scored their 20th point 9:29 into the first half. In the MW Quarterfinal game against Fresno State on Thursday night, SDSU didn't score its 20th point until 19:25 into the first half.
- SDSU trailed by seven points (14-7) just 4:50 into the game, but outscored the Rams, 28-12, over the rest of the first half (15:10).
- San Diego State led for 32 minutes, 45 seconds (32:45) of the game (81.9 pct.) after leading Fresno State on Thursday for just 10:20 (25.8 pct.).
- The Aztecs assisted on 16 of their 22 field goals.
- All nine Aztecs who played in the game made at least one field goal.
- SDSU's bench outscored Colorado State's bench, 27-10.
- The Aztecs outscored the Rams in second-chance opportunities, 15-12.
- SDSU outscored CSU, 16-12, off turnovers.

Player Notes

Trey Pulliam – 11 points, 6 assists

Scored in double-figures for the 13th time this season (SDSU is 11-2) and 21st time of his career (SDSU is 19-2) ... Has scored in double figures in five of the last six games (the other game he scored nine points) ... Is 28-for-58 (48.3 pct.) over the six-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) ... Has three straight double-digit scoring games for the second time of his career and for the first time since SDSU's three games in the 2021 Mountain West Tournament ... Has scored in double figures in five

straight Mountain West Tournament games ... Led the team in scoring for the fourth time this season (SDSU is 3-1) and career ... Led the team in assists for the 17th time this season (SDSU is 14-3) and 37th time of his career (29-8).

Adam Seiko - 10 points, 6 rebounds, 3 assists

Reached double-figures in scoring for the sixth time this season (SDSU is 6-0) and ninth time of his career (SDSU is 8-1) ... Has two straight games with at least 10 points for the first time since doing so in three straight games from Dec. 8-22, 2021.

Nathan Mensah – 9 points, 4-5 FG, 6 rebounds, 1 blocked shot

Was one point shy of his eighth double-digit scoring game of the season ... Was 4-for-5 (.800) from the field, his best shooting night since shooting 85.7 percent (6-for-7) against Air Force on Feb. 12 ... Had a blocked shot eighth straight game.

Aquek Arop - 9 points

Had nine points, one off a season high ... Scored his nine points in 18 minutes off the bench after recording just seven points over his previous seven games (78 minutes) ... Made his first 3-pointer of 2022 (first since Nov. 30, 2021) ... Attempted his first 3-pointer since the Boise State game on Jan. 22, 2022.