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San Diego State vs. UNLV Postgame Notes Steve Fisher Court at Viejas Arena | San Diego, Calif. February 11, 2023

Final Score: No. 25 San Diego State 82, UNLV 71 Next Game: Wed., February 15 | at Fresno State, 8 p.m. PT | Save Mart Center | Fresno, Calif. | TV: CBS Sports Network | Radio: San Diego Sports 760

Records: San Diego State: 20-5 overall, 11-2 Mountain West; UNLV: 16-9 overall, 5-8 Mountain West

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Big Notes

- San Diego State remains in sole possession of first place of the Mountain West standings at 11-2.
- SDSU improves to 143-30 *82.7 percent) at home against Mountain West opponents since the start of the 2002-03 season.
- In its last 57 home games, SDSU has a 52-5 (91.2 percent) record.
- San Diego State records its 17th 20-win season in the last 18 campaigns.
- Head Coach Brian Dutcher records his sixth consecutive 20-win season. No other head coach in San Diego State history has put together that many 20-win seasons to start his career.
- SDSU wins the 20th of its last 23 Mountain West games overall (19-3).
- San Diego State improves to 13-1 in games played in Viejas Arena this year.
- Since the start of the Brian Dutcher era, the start of the 2017-18 season, San Diego State improves to 47-6 in Mountain West home games.
- In Mountain West home games, San Diego State has won 13 of its last 14 (13-1), 25 of its last 27 (25-2) and improves to 45-5 since January 24, 2018.
- SDSU improves to 139-45 (.755) under Brian Dutcher.
- San Diego State, as a top-25 team, moves to 10-3 when it has played UNLV and 4-2 when it is ranked and playing the Rebels in Viejas Arena.
- San Diego State recorded a season-high 18 offensive rebounds.
- San Diego State had a sellout for the 8th time in 14 home games and has had 12,000+ fans in 12 of 14 games.

Team Notes

• The Aztecs move to 126-9 in the Brian Dutcher era when leading with five minutes to play.

- SDSU moves to 17-2 on the season and 184-23 (88.9 percent) in its last 207 games in which it holds the lead at the half.
- For the second consecutive contest the Aztecs had a 14-0 scoring run.
- For the sixth time this season San Diego State never trailed in the game.
- In the first half, San Diego State had 14 assists on 17 made baskets.
- For the 14th time this year, San Diego State never trailed in the second half.
- SDSU wins its 14th game in its last 15 when leading at the half and improves to 17-2 on the season and 121-15 under Brian Dutcher when it leads after 20 minutes.
- San Diego State wins its 13th straight game when shooting better than its opponent and is now 16-1 this season and 117-8 under Brian Dutcher.
- SDSU improves to 17-2 on the season when outrebounding its opponent and 102-12 under Brian Dutcher.
- San Diego State improves to 93-44 in its last 137 Saturday games.
- The Aztecs outscore UNLV, 33-23, off the bench. Over the last four games, SDSU's bench has outscored the opposition, 123-49.
- SDSU moves to 3-0 this year, 34-7 in the Brian Dutcher era and 61-20 in its last 81 games in the month of February.

Series Notes

- San Diego State moves to 8-1 in its last nine home games against UNLV in Viejas Arena and 16-7 overall on its home court against the Rebels.
- The Aztecs improve to 38-20 against UNLV in the Mountain West era and 42-37 in the all-time series.
- In the last 47 games between the two programs, San Diego State is 36-11, regardless of location.
- SDSU sweeps the home-and-home series in 2022-23 and has won its last five in a row against UNLV.
- Since the inception of the Mountain West (1999-00), San Diego State has either won or split the season home-and-home series with UNLV in 19 of the 23 years they have each played on each other's floor. In 2020-21, the teams only played once, at the Thomas & Mack Center.

Game Flow

- San Diego State's Nathan Mensah won the opening tip.
- Nathan Mensah scored the first points of the game on a slam dunk at 19:42 with an assist from Lamont Butler.
- Keshad Johnson went 4-of-5 from the floor including a 3-pointer and had nine of the team's 14 points at the first media timeout (14:24).
- The Aztecs used a 14-0 run in the first half to push a 16-11 lead to 30-11 in 3:06 of game time.
- UNLV's 20-point halftime deficit (42-23) is its largest of the season and its largest since trailing by 23 points on December 1, 2021, at SMU.

Entering Today

- San Diego State was 6th in NET Strength of Schedule
- San Diego State was 9th in T-Rank
- San Diego State was 13th in KPI
- San Diego State was 22nd in the NET
- San Diego State was 22nd in Kenpom
- San Diego State was 31st in BPI
- San Diego State was 31st in Sagarin.

Player Notes

Keshad Johnson – 14 points, 6-of-9 FG, 1-of-2 3PFG, 1-of-2 FT, 4 rebounds, 2 assist, 1 steal, 0 turnovers

Scored in double figures for the 11th time this season and the 22nd time in his career...Reached double figures on 5-of-6 shooting from the field, including one 3-pointer, and did it in the first 6:27... Reached double-digit points for the fifth time in the last seven games and in seven of the last 10...Shot at least 66.7 percent in a game for the seventh time in 2022-23 and the 18th time his Aztec career (15-3).

Matt Bradley – 17 points, 6-of-8 FG, 3-of-5 3PFG, 2-of-2 FT, 4 rebounds, 2 assists, 1 steal, 1 block

Reached double figure scoring for the 16th time this season and 113th time of his career... Knocked down multiple 3-pointers for the 10th time in 2022-23 (8-2) and 75th time as a collegian (39-36)... Knocked down 75.0 percent of his field goal attempts for the third time this year (3-0)...

Adam Seiko – 18 points, 6-of-11 FG, 6-of-10 3PFG, 2 rebounds, 1 assist

Led the Aztecs in scoring for the third time this year and fourth time in his college career (4-0)... Scored in double figures for the fifth time this season and 14th time of his career (12-2)... Has made at least six threes in a game on three occasions in 2022-23 (3-0).

Nathan Mensah – 11 points, 11 rebounds (7 offensive rebounds), 4-of-7 FG, 3-of-5 FT

Picked up his second double double of the year and eight of his college career (7-1)... Equaled his season-high with 11 rebounds, which he accomplished at UNLV on December 31, 2022... Seven offensive rebounds are a career-best, which he has now done four times... Is the seventh Aztec in the Mountain West era to grab at least seven offensive rebounds and shoot at least 57.1 percent from the floor.

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