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San Diego State Postgame Notes vs. New Mexico Steve Fisher Court at Viejas Arena | San Diego, Calif. Monday, Jan. 31, 2022

Next Game: Friday, Feb. 4 | at Colorado State, 7 p.m. MT | Moby Arena | Fort Collins, Colo. | TV: FS1 | Radio: 101.5 KGB, XTRA 1360

Next News Conference: Via Zoom | Tuesday, Feb. 2, noon PT

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Big Notes

- SDSU becomes the first team in the last 42 seasons to defeat New Mexico by 20 or more points in three consecutive meetings.
- San Diego State held New Mexico to season lows in points (47) and field goal percentage (30.8). The Lobos came into the game averaging 77.2 points and shooting 44 percent from the field.
- San Diego State is 15-4 in its last 19 games against New Mexico.
- San Diego State is 13-1 in its last 14 games immediately following a loss.
- San Diego State has won 20 consecutive home games when suffering a loss in its previous game (regardless of location).
- With the Aztec victory and Colorado State's loss, San Diego State is now tied for third in the Mountain West standings.
- **Keshad Johnson** recorded his second career double-double (both this season) with 14 points and 10 rebounds.

Year-Over-Year

- San Diego State improves to 12-5 overall. Last season, when the Aztecs won the outright regular-season title, the conference tournament and advanced to the NCAA tournament, SDSU was 13-4 after 17 games.
- San Diego State is 4-2 in Mountain West play, one-game ahead of its pace from last season (3-3).

Series Tidbits

- New Mexico leads the all-time series with San Diego State, 48-43.
- San Diego State has won three straight games in the series and do to schedule oddities, New Mexico's last won in the series came on Feb. 5, 2019. San Diego State has won three Mountain West Conference men's basketball titles since that date.
- SDSU owns a 28-13 series lead in games played in San Diego, including a 15-7 record in Viejas Arena.
- San Diego State is 15-4 in its last 19 games against the Lobos.
- San Diego State is 7-1 in its last eight home games against UNM.

Team Notes

- New Mexico also was blocked a season-high eight times.
- UNM's 19 turnovers were its second most in a game this season.
- New Mexico's previous season-low point total was 56 at UNLV on Jan. 11.

Game Trends

- San Diego State improved to 62-9 in the Brian Dutcher era in home games (9-1 this season).
- San Diego State is 25-1 the last 26 times it has led at intermission (11-1 this season, 94-12 in the Brian Dutcher era).

- San Diego State has won 29 straight games when owning a rebound advantage (11-0 this season, 77-9 in Brian Dutcher era).
- San Diego State won its 28th consecutive game when shooting at least 50 percent from the field (3-0 this season, 40-1 in Brian Dutcher era).
- San Diego State outscored New Mexico, 25-1, in fast break chances.
- San Diego State outscored New Mexico, 30-16, in the paint.
- San Diego State outscored New Mexico, 17-6, off turnovers.

Player Notes

Keshad Johnson — 14 points, 10 rebounds, 2 assists, 1 steal

Reached double figures for the fourth time in his last seven games after doing so just three times in his first 52 career games ... He recorded his second career double-double ... The 14 points were a season high and one off a career high ... Tied for the team lead in scoring, the first time of his career he has led the Aztecs in scoring.

Matt Bradley - 14 points, 5 rebounds, 3 assists, 1 steal

Scored 10 or more points for the third game in a row, the 14th time this season, the 85th time in his career ... Tied for the team lead in scoring and has now led the Aztecs (or tied for the lead) in 10 of the 17 games this season.

Lamont Butler – 9 points, 6 rebounds, 4 assists, 2 steals

Now has at least nine points in nine of his last 10 games ... Tied a career high with six rebounds ... His four assists were one off a season high.

Chad Baker-Mazara — 8 points, 2 rebounds, 3 steals

Scored eight points in just 11 minutes (11:01) off the bench ... Is averaging 10.0 points per game over this last five games (50 points total) ... Had his most steals (3) as an Aztec and tied a career high (also March 4, 2021 vs. Richmond while with Duquesne).

Nathan Mensah – 5 points, 3 rebounds, 4 blocked shots, 1 assist, 5 steals

Tied a season high with four blocked shots (third occasion) ... Had a career-high five steals ... Became the first Aztec with at least four blocked shots and five steals in the same game since Matt Watts vs. San Jose State on Feb. 27, 1999 (only other time it's happened since at least the 1996-97 season).

Trey Pulliam – 3 points, 4 rebounds, 6 assists, 1 blocked shot, +29 +/- rating

Had the highest +/- rating in the game (+29) ... His six assists were his most in a Mountain West game this season and most since recording seven vs. UC San Diego on Dec. 22, 2021 ... Entered the game with seven assists in four MW games (1.8 avg.).

Entering Today

- San Diego State was 38th in KenPom
- San Diego State was 41st in Sagarin.
- San Diego State was 42nd in BPI
- San Diego State is 51st in NET
- San Diego State was 67th in Strength of Record