

Postgame Football Notes – San Diego State vs. San José State Nov. 12, 2022 | Snapdragon Stadium | San Diego, Calif.

<u>Score</u>: San Diego State 43, San José State 27 <u>Records</u>: San Diego State (6-4, 4-2 Mountain West); San José State (6-3, 4-2 MW) **SDSU Next Game:** Friday, Nov. 18; at New Mexico; 7:45 p.m. MT; FS1; San Diego Sports 760

Big Notes

- With the victory, SDSU is bowl eligible for the 13th consecutive season. San Diego State entered 2022 tied for the seventhlongest active streak of consecutive .500 or better seasons (12).
- Brady Hoke picked up his 100th career victory as a head coach. Hoke is 35-22 as head coach at SDSU.
- San Diego State overcame a 14-point deficit (win or loss) for the first time since trailing by 14 at San José State (20-6 with 2:35 left in second quarter) on Nov. 9, 2013 and rallying for a 34-30 victory. The 14-point deficit to win is tied for the ninth-largest comeback in SDSU's DI history (since 1969) and tied for the 15th-largest comeback overcome regardless of the result.
- San Diego State is now 17-186-3 in its DI history when trailing by at least 14 points in a game.
- SDSU had its first 40-point game against an FBS team since scoring 48 against Central Michigan in the 2019 New Mexico Bowl (Dec. 21).
- The Aztecs won their fifth consecutive game at Snapdragon Stadium and are 5-1 overall. SDSU's four-game home winning streak entering the day was tied for the 21st-longest active home winning streak in FBS.
- The Aztecs trailed, 14-0, just 10:02 into the game, but scored the next 38 points before San Jose State scored with 44 seconds left in the third quarter. The 38 unanswered points match SDSU's longest streak of the season (also vs. Idaho State on Sept. 10).
- San Diego State won its sixth straight game played in November.
- SDSU returned its 14th kickoff for a touchdown since 2015, the most in FBS play over that span, one more than Kansas State (13).
- San Diego State now has:
 - 5 return touchdowns this year
 - 10 return touchdowns since 2021
 - 14 return touchdowns since 2020
- WR Tyrell Shavers broke 100 yards receiving for the second time of his career (also vs. Hawai'i on Oct. 8, 2022).

<u>Series Notes</u>

- SDSU improved to 24-20-2 all-time against San Jose State.
- San Diego State improved to 9-1 against the Spartans since they joined the Mountain West in 2013.
- The Aztecs won their fourth straight game against SJSU played in San Diego and is now 12-1 against San Jose State in San Diego.

Team Notes

- The 70 combined points were the most in an Aztec game since falling to Army West Point, 42-35, in the 2017 Armed Forces Bowl (Dec. 23).
- The 70 combined points were the most in an Aztec win since beating Northern Illinois, 42-28, on Sept. 17, 2016.
- SDSU scored exactly 43 points for the first time in its Division I history.
- SDSU won its 19th straight game when scoring 40 points (8-0 under Brady Hoke).
- San Diego State won its 11th consecutive game when scoring 30 points (20-2 with 12 straight wins under Brady Hoke).
- The Aztecs improved to 30-12 under Brady Hoke when scoring just 20 points.
- San Diego State allowed a point on its opponent's opening drive for just the fourth time this year in 10 games, sixth time since last season (24 games) and 27th time since 2015 (99 games).
- The Aztecs have won 32 of their last 33 games when leading at the end of the third quarter (33-4 under Brady Hoke).
- The Aztecs now have 18 sacks and 34 tackles for loss over the last four games.
- The Aztecs have multiple touchdown passes in three consecutive games for the first time since a three-game stretch from Sept. 21-Oct. 12, 2019.
- SDSU had its first safety since Oct. 4, 2013 against Nevada.

<u>Trends</u>

- The Aztecs won the coin toss for the seventh time in 10 games this season.
- SDSU did not start with the ball for just the 36th time in the last 142 games.
- The Aztecs improved to 6-2 on the season and 31-7 in the Brady Hoke era when leading at the half.

<u>Player Notes</u>

* Jalen Mayden, Sr., QB (17-for-22, 268 yds., 3 TD, 1 INT | 13 att., 61 yds.)

Improved to 4-1 as SDSU's starting quarterback ... Threw a career-high three touchdown passes ... Threw his sixth, seventh and eighth touchdown passes of the season and now has nine for his career ... The 66-yard touchdown pass to Tyrell Shavers was a career long ... It was his third straight multiple touchdown game ... Has now accounted for nine touchdowns over the last three games (seven passing, two rushing).

* Tyrell Shavers, Sr., WR (4 rec., 111 yds., 1 TD)

Had his second career 100-yard receiving game (also vs. Hawai'i on Oct. 8) ... Caught his third touchdown pass of the season (first since the second game of the year vs. Idaho State on Sept. 10) and sixth of his career ... Caught a career-long 66-yard pass for his touchdown.

* Jordan Byrd, Sr., RB/KR/PR (2 KR, 112 yds., 1 TD)

Had his first kickoff return touchdown of the season and third of his career ... The three career kickoff return touchdowns are tied for the second most in program history (Juwan Washington and Colin Lockett), only trailing Rashaad Penny's seven ... Now has six overall touchdowns this season (3 rush, 1 receiving, 1 KR, 1 PR) and 17 for his career (12 rush, 1 receiving, 3 KR, 1 PR).

* Mekhi Shaw, So., WR (5 rec., 64 yds., 1 TD)

Matched his career high in both catches (5) and receiving yards (64) ... Had his first career touchdown.

* Jesse Matthews, Sr., WR (4 rec., 57 yds., 1 TD)

Caught a touchdown pass for the third straight game after not having a touchdown the first seven games of the season ... Now has three touchdowns this year and 15 for his career (T-14th in SDSU history) ... Has 161 receptions for his career which rank eighth in program history ... Also has 1,968 receiving yards for his career, which ranks 17th in program history.

* Jaylon Armstead, So., RB (15 att., 46 yds., 1 TD)

Recorded his first career rushing touchdown and second overall (also had a punt return touchdown recovered in end zone against Arizona on Sept. 3).

* Cooper McDonald, Jr., LB (7 tackles (3 solo), 2.0 TFL, 1.0 SCK)

Led the team in tackles for the first time of his career ... His two tackles for loss were a career high, while his one sack matched a career best.

* Jonah Tavai, Sr., DE (3 tackles, 3.0 sacks, 3.0 TFL, 1 safety)

Matched a career high with three sacks, while adding a season-high three tackles for loss ... Also recorded SDSU's first safety since 2013 ... Now has nine sacks this season (T-11th in SDSU single-season history) and 22.5 for his career (3rd in program history) ... Also has 11.5 tackles for loss this year and 33.5 for his career).

Other Notes

- LB Caden McDonald started for the 41st consecutive game, the longest streak on the team (offense/defense).
- LB Caden McDonald played for the 58th straight game, the longest streak on the team.
- LB Caden McDonald played in his 58th game, the most on the team.
- CB Dallas Branch had an interception for the second straight game and now has four for his career.
- Tonight's temperature was 55 degrees at kickoff, the coldest game in Snapdragon Stadium history.
- Tonight's attendance was 28,406.
- Tonight's Aztec Honorary Warrior was Brian Sipe (1969-71).

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