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## **Postgame Football Notes – Fresno State at San Diego State**

**Oct. 30, 2021 | Dignity Health Sports Park | Carson, Calif.**

**Records:** No. 21/20 San Diego State (7-0, 3-1 Mountain West); No. --/rv Fresno State (7-2; 4-1 Mountain West)

**Next Game:** Sat., Nov. 6 | at Hawai'i | Clarence T.C. Ching Complex | Honolulu, Hawaii | 5 p.m. HT / 8 p.m. PT | FS1 | 101.5 KGB, XTRA 1360

### **Streaks Snapped**

- 7-game overall winning streak
- 6-game "home" winning streak
- 4-game Mountain West win streak
- 29-game streak of holding its opponents to under 450 yards of total offense (was longest streak in the country)

### **The Series**

- San Diego State still leads the all-time series 30-26-4.
- San Diego State is now 17-12-2 against Fresno State at home (includes tonight's game played in Carson, California).

### **Team Notes**

- SDSU allowed a Fresno State touchdown with 3:49 left in the first quarter. It was the first time the Aztecs have trailed in 236 minutes, 21 seconds (236:21), since Towson led SDSU, 7-0, with 5:36 left in the first quarter.
- San Diego State has forced at least one turnover in 21 consecutive games, which is the second-longest active streak in FBS play (Marshall, 22).

### **Trends**

- The Aztecs won the coin toss for the fifth time this season in eight games.
- SDSU did not start with the ball for just the 25th time over the last 126 games.
- San Diego State held its opponent scoreless on its opening possession for the eighth straight game (seven, three-and-outs or less) and the 63rd time since 2015 (83 games).
- The Aztecs fell to 52-9 the last 61 times they have scored at least 20 points in a game.
- SDSU fell to 13-4 in the Brady Hoke era when totaling at least 400 yards of offense.

### **Player Notes**

#### **\* Elijah Kothe, Sr., WR (4 rec., 105 yds.)**

Had a career-high 105 receiving yards with all coming in the first half ... His 105 yards easily eclipsed his previous high of 45 against Fresno State on Nov. 15, 2019 ... Also tied a career high with four receptions (also at New Mexico State on Sept. 14, 2019).

**\* Greg Bell, Sr., RB (15 att., 63 yds., 1 TD)**

Scored his sixth rushing touchdown of the season and 12th of his career ... Now has six overall touchdowns this year and 13 for his career ... Now his 24th all-time at SDSU with 1,305 yards in 15 games.

**\* Tyrell Shavers, Jr., WR (2 rec., 39 yds., 1 TD)**

Caught his first touchdown pass as an Aztec ... Now has two career touchdown catches (also at No. 6/5 LSU on Sept. 26, 2020 while playing for Mississippi State).

**\* Lucas Johnson, Sr., QB (14-for-31, 220 yds., 1 TD, 2 INT | 8 att., 60 yds.)**

Dropped to 3-1 as the starting quarterback this season ... Set a career high for passing yards, breaking 200 for the first time of his career ... Threw his fifth touchdown pass of the season and seventh of his career (sixth as an Aztec) ... Threw just his second and third interceptions of his Aztec career.

**\* Will Haskell, TR-Fr., QB (3-for-6, 27 yds., 0 TD, 0 INT | 2 att., 10 yds., 1 TD)**

Scored his first career rushing touchdown ... His 27 passing yards were a career high.

**\* Matt Araiza, Jr., K/P (2-for-2 PAT | 6 P, 38.8 avg., 5 I20, 52 LG | 3 KO, 65.0 avg., 3 TB)**

Finished with a career high with five punts inside the 20-yard line ... Also had three touchbacks in three kickoffs ... Missed a 55-yard field goal, which would have been a career long ... Now is 3-for-6 this season on field goals of at least 50 yards.

**\* Cameron Thomas, Jr., DE (8 tackles (4 solo), 1.0 sack, 1.0 TFL)**

Led the team in tackles ... Now has 5.5 sacks this season and 12 tackles for loss, both which lead the team ... Over the last 11 games, has 69 tackles (37 solo), 19.5 tackles for loss and eight sacks.

**Other Notes**

- TE Daniel Bellinger and LB Caden McDonald each started for the 25th consecutive game, the longest streaks on the team (offense/defense).
- LB Caden McDonald played for the 42nd straight game, the longest streak on the team.
- S Trenton Thompson and CB Tayler Hawkins each played in their 51st game of their career, the most played among current Aztecs.
- S Patrick McMorris recovered his first career fumble.
- DT Jonah Tavai had his second sack of the season and seventh of his career.
- Tonight's temperature was 60 degrees.
- SDSU's Honor Warrior was Akbar Gbaja-Biamila (1999-02).

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