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No. 18/18 [5] San Diego State Postgame Notes vs. No. 1/2 [1] Alabama

NCAA Sweet 16

KFC Yum! Center | Louisville, Ky.

Thursday, March 24, 2023

Next Game: vs. No. 17/22 [6] Creighton / [15] Princeton | NCAA Elite Eight, Sunday, March 26 | TV: TBA | Radio: San Diego Sports 760

Records: San Diego State: 30-6 overall; Alabama: 31-6 overall

Final Edition: [5] San Diego State 71, [1] Alabama 64

Big Notes

- San Diego State advances to the Elite Eight for the first time in program history.
- San Diego State wins its first game against a team ranked No. 1 by the Associated Press. The Aztecs are now 1-4 all-time against AP top-ranked schools.
- Prior to tonight, San Diego State's highest-ranked AP victory was a 65-57 win over No. 6 Nevada on Feb. 20, 2019.
- San Diego State wins its 30th game of the season for the fourth time in program history (also 34 in 2010-11, 31 in 2013-14 and 30 in 2019-20). The four 30-wins seasons are more than all other Division I schools combined from the state of California since the 2010-11 campaign (UCLA has two 30-win seasons and Saint Mary's has one).
- San Diego State improves to 37-104 all-time against AP nationally ranked schools, including a 10-8 mark under head coach Brian Dutcher.
- San Diego State improves to 21-6 on the season as an AP nationally ranked team.
- San Diego State improves to 9-14 all-time in NCAA Tournament games.
- San Diego State improves to 1-6 in the NCAA Tournament as the higher seed.
- San Diego State improves to 3-0 as a No. 5 seed in the NCAA Tournament.
- San Diego State improves to 5-2 in the South Region of the NCAA Tournament.
- San Diego State wins its seventh consecutive game, which is the fourth-longest active streak in the country as the game ended (Texas and Princeton each have six-game winning streaks entering its Sweet 16 games later tonight).
- After snapping College of Charleston's 10-game winning streak in the NCAA First Round and Furman's seven-game winning streak in the NCAA Second Round, San Diego State snaps Alabama's five-game winning streak today in the Sweet 16. The five-game winning streak was the seventh-longest active streak in the country heading into today.
- San Diego State has won 13 of its last 14 games (13-1).
- San Diego State improves to 6-0 in postseason play with six straight neutral wins.
- San Diego State improves to 149-46 (.764) under Brian Dutcher.
- San Diego State held Alabama, which averaged 82.3 points per game heading into tonight, to 64 points on a season-low 32.4 percent shooting from the floor.
- **Darrion Trammell** became SDSU's first 20-point scorer in an NCAA Tournament game since Xavier Thames scored 25 vs. Arizona in a 2016 NCAA Sweet 16 game (March 27, 2014).

Series Notes

- San Diego State wins the first meeting between the two schools.
- San Diego State improves to 4-10 all-time against teams from the Southeastern Conference (SEC).

Team Notes

- San Diego State improves to 24-3 on the season when leading at the half and 128-16 under Brian Dutcher. SDSU has now won 59 of its last 64 games when leading at the half (59-5), 97 of its last 105 (97-8) and 191 of its last 215 (191-24).
- The Aztecs move to 26-2 this season and 136-10 in the Brian Dutcher era when leading with five minutes to play.
- San Diego State wins its 20th straight game when shooting better than its opponent, and improves to 23-1 on the season and 124-8 under Brian Dutcher.
- The Aztecs wins their 11th straight game (10-0 this season) and improved to 46-2 under Brian Dutcher when holding their opponent to under 35 percent shooting from the floor.
- San Diego State improves to 3-0 on the season and 20-3 under Brian Dutcher in games played on Saturday.

Game Flow

- Alabama won the tip.
- Alabama scored first on a Noah Clowney layup just 11 seconds into the game.
- San Diego State scored its first bucket on a Keshad Johnson layup 1:48 into the game.
- SDSU's substituted four players - F Aguek Arop, F Jaedon LeDee, G Micah Parrish and G Adam Seiko - at the first media timeout (15:48). The only starter to stay in the game was G Lamont Butler.
- San Diego State trailed, 48-39, with 11:40 left in the game, but went on a 12-0 run over the next 2:57 to take at 51-48 lead. SDSU didn't trail the rest of the game.
- It was SDSU's 21st scoring run this year of at least 10-0 and third straight NCAA Tournament game with at least a 10-0 scoring run.
- Scores at each media timeout:
 - 1st Half, 15:48: San Diego State 6, Alabama 5 (SDSU +1)
 - 1st Half, 10:56: San Diego State 11, Alabama 11 (tied)
 - 1st Half, 7:36: San Diego State 13, Alabama 13 (tied)
 - 1st Half, 3:42: San Diego State 21, Alabama 19 (SDSU +2)
 - 1st Half, 0:34: San Diego State 28, Alabama 23 (SDSU +5)
 - Halftime: San Diego State 28, Alabama 23 (SDSU +5)
 - 2nd Half, 15:43: Alabama 36, San Diego State 32 (Alabama +4)
 - 2nd Half, 11:31: Alabama 48, San Diego State 39 (Alabama +9)
 - 2nd Half, 8:00: San Diego State 51, Alabama 48 (SDSU +3)
 - 2nd Half, 3:51: San Diego State 60, Alabama 53 (SDSU +7)
 - 2nd Half, 2:18: San Diego State 64, Alabama 57 (SDSU +7)
 - Final: San Diego State 71, Alabama 64 (SDSU +7)
- San Diego State outscored Alabama, 8-0, in fast break opportunities.
- San Diego State's bench outscored Alabama's bench, 28-16.

Entering Today

- San Diego State was 14th in KenPom
- San Diego State is 14th in NET
- San Diego State was 6th in KPI
- San Diego State was 10th in T-Rank
- San Diego State was 18th in Sagarin
- San Diego State was 18th in BPI

Player Notes

Darrion Trammell – 21 points, 9-of-16 FG, 3-of-5 3PFG, 5 rebounds, 2 steals, +13 plus-minus ratio

Became SDSU's first 20-point scorer in an NCAA Tournament game since Xavier Thames scored 25 in the NCAA Sweet 16 game against Arizona on March 27, 2014... His 21 points were tied for the seventh most in an NCAA Tournament by an Aztec... Logged his fourth game with exactly 21 points this season (he does not have any other games with at least 20 points)... Reached double figures in scoring for the 16th time this season (SDSU is 13-3) and 65th time of his career... Led the team in scoring for the sixth time this season (SDSU is 5-1) and 32nd time of his career... Made three 3-pointers for a second straight game and has seven in the NCAA Tournament, going 7-for-17 (.412) from three-point range... Recorded multiple steals for the 13th time this season (SDSU is 10-3) and 46th time of his career... Had a +13 plus-minus ratio, the highest in the game.

Jaedon LeDee – 12 points, 6 rebounds, 1 blocked shot

Recorded his 10th double-digit scoring game this season (SDSU is 10-0) and 18th of his career... Is now averaging 7.3 points and 6.7 rebounds off the bench in the NCAA Tournament.

Micah Parrish – 9 points, 8 rebounds, 3 assists

Is now averaging 10.7 points and 6.3 rebounds per game in the NCAA Tournament... His eight rebounds were a season high... Also logged a season-high three assists... Had multiple three-pointers for the 15th time this season (SDSU is 13-2) and 33rd time of his career.

Matt Bradley – 6 points, 1 rebound, 1 steal

Scored six points and has 1,002 for his Aztec career in two seasons... Became the fifth player since the start of the 1996-97 season to record at least 1,000 points for two different programs (1,289 at California and 1,002 at San Diego State).

Nathan Mensah – 4 points, 8 rebounds, 5 blocked shots, 1 assist, 1 steal

Had an Aztec-record five blocked shots in an NCAA Tournament game.

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