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POSTGAME NOTES

(1) KANSAS vs (2) VILLANOVA
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KU STARTERS

Dajuan Harris (38/40)
Christian Braun (38/73)
Jalen Wilson (26/52)
Ochai Agbaji (38/115)
David McCormack (36/95)

SERIES HISTORY: Series tied, 5-5

KANSAS' WIN/LOSS:

- Made Kansas 33-6 on the season, Kansas' first 33-win season since 2015-16 (33-5).
- Advanced Kansas to its 10th all-time NCAA Championship, including the third under head coach Bill Self.
- Gave Kansas its first NCAA Championship appearance since 2012.
- Made KU 11-1 in neutral-site games this season.
- Knotted the Kansas-Villanova series at 5-5 apiece.
- Made Kansas 13-14 in NCAA Final Fours all-time.
- Made KU 44-13 all-time as the No. 1 seed and 7-4 versus the No. 2 seed.
- Made Bill Self 762-229 all-time, 555-124 while at Kansas and 54-21 all-time in the NCAA Tournament (45-16 while at Kansas).
- Made Kansas 4-5 in NCAA Tournament games played in New Orleans.
- Made Kansas 3-1 under head coach Bill Self in games played in April.
- Made Kansas 2,356-877 all-time, the all-time winningest program in NCAA Division I history.

TEAM NOTES:

- Kansas went with the starting lineup of Dajuan Harris, Jalen Wilson, Christian Braun, Ochai Agbaji and David McCormack for the 23rd time this season. The Jayhawks are now 19-4 when using this starting combination.
- Kansas connected on seven 3-pointers in the first half, and 13 in the game, which is the most since making 15 against Kansas State earlier this season on February 22.
- Kansas' 11-point halftime lead (40-29) was the largest halftime lead in the NCAA tournament semifinal game since out-scoring North Carolina 44-27 in the first half on April 5, 2008. The Jayhawks went on to win that game, 84-66.
- Kansas' 16-point victory is the largest in a Final Four game for the Jayhawks since defeating North Carolina, 86-66 on April 5, 2008 in San Antonio.
- Kansas has now led at the half in 30 games this season, in which Kansas is 27-3 in those games.
- Kansas outrebounded Villanova, 35-29 on Saturday. Kansas is 28-0 this season when outrebounding its opponent and 417-50 under head Coach Bill Self.
- Kansas held Villanova to shoot 38.6 percent from the field on Saturday. Kansas is now 31-3 when holding its opponent to under 50 percent this season. The Jayhawks shot 53.7 percent (29-of-54), improving to 17-2 when shooting 50 percent or better this season. The Jayhawks are 26-1 when outshooting their opponent.
- With the Jayhawks' 81 points, Kansas has now scored 80+ points in 15 games this season. Kansas is 15-0 in those games.
- Kansas held Villanova to score 65 points on Saturday, improving the Jayhawks to 25-0 when holding opponents to under 70 points this season.





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INDIVIDUAL NOTES:

- Super-Senior Mitch Lightfoot saw action for the 167th game in his career, which is more than any other KU player and 11th on the NCAA active list. Danny Manning held the record at 147 games played from 1985-88.
- Lightfoot has now played in 16 career NCAA Tournament games, which is tied for the most in school history with Keith Langford, Aaron Miles, Nick Collison, Kirk Hinrich, Richard Scott, Steve Woodberry, Danny Manning and Chris Piper.
- Super-Senior Jalen Coleman-Lands appeared in his 170th career game, which is fourth on the NCAA all-time list.
- Junior Christian Braun became the 65th Jayhawk to surpass the 1,000 point barrier on Saturday, scoring 10 points to finish the night with 1,006 career points.
- Senior Ochai Agbaji scored 21 points and now has 720 this season moving into eighth all-time in single season school history. Agbaji passed Dedric Lawson (700, 8th) and Nick Collison (702, 9th).
- Agbaji has now played in 99 consecutive games, which is the seventh most in school history. Eighteen of Agbaji's points came on 3-pointers, including a perfect 4-of-4 in the first half. Agbaji has now made four or more 3-pointers in 11 games this season. He finished with six 3-pointers, which is just one off his career high.
- Agbaji's 21 points on 6-of-8 from the field and 6-of-7 from beyond the arc marks his 36th game this season in double-figures, including the 82nd of his career.
- Senior David McCormack scored a season-high 25 points on 10-of-12 from the field on Saturday, marking his 22nd game in double-figures this season, including his second of the tournament. McCormack has now scored in double-figures in 54 games in his career.
- McCormack's 25 points also marks his eighth career 20+ point game of his career including his second this season. His first came on March 5, 2022 against Texas, when he scored 22 points.
- Redshirt sophomore Jalen Wilson recorded 12 rebounds on Saturday, marking his 12th game this season with 10+ rebounds, including his fourth-straight game. He had 11 points, giving him his seven double-doubles this season.
- Redshirt sophomore guard Dajuan Harris Jr., tied his career-high with three 3-pointers on Saturday. Harris also hit three 3s against Missouri on Dec. 11, 2021 and Eastern Washington on March 20, 2021. Harris was 3-for-5 on Saturday.

