

<b>Supervision</b>	<b>2000 %</b>	<b>2004 %</b>	<b>2000 Grade</b>	<b>2004 Grade</b>
Adults present	94	93	A	A-
Easily viewed	100	100	A+	A+
Crawl spaces	67	73	D+	C+
Supervision rules posted	11	10	F	F
<b>Overall Grade: Supervision</b>			<b>B+</b>	<b>B-</b>
<b>Age-Appropriate Design</b>	<b>2000 %</b>	<b>2004 %</b>	<b>2000 Grade</b>	<b>2004 Grade</b>
Had separate areas	32	54	F	F
Signage for age group provided	0	0	F	F
Provided change of direction	92	100	A-	A+
Had guardrails	81	100	B-	A+
Prevented climbing outside the structure	53	95	F	A
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	53	85	F	B
<b>Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design</b>			<b>D+</b>	<b>B-</b>
<b>Fall Surfacing</b>	<b>2000 %</b>	<b>2004 %</b>	<b>2000 Grade</b>	<b>2004 Grade</b>
Suitable materials provided	84	90	B	A-
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	100	NA	A+
Appropriate depth of loose fill	77	71	C+	C-
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	55	85	F	B
Concrete footings were covered	86	90	B	A-
Free of foreign objects	74	93	C	A-
<b>Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing</b>			<b>C</b>	<b>B+</b>
<b>Equipment Maintenance</b>	<b>2000 %</b>	<b>2004 %</b>	<b>2000 Grade</b>	<b>2004 Grade</b>
Free of broken parts	84	88	B	B+
Free of missing parts	76	87	C	B
Free of protruding bolts	68	82	D+	B-
Free of noticeable gaps	47	72	F	C-
Free of head entrapments	76	75	C	C
Free of rust	54	95	F	A
Free of splinter	70	57	C-	F
Free of cracks/holes	92	98	A-	A
<b>Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance</b>			<b>C-</b>	<b>B-</b>

<b>Playground Equipment Profile*</b>		
<b>Year of installation</b>	<b>2004</b>	
Pre 1980	10%	
1981-1990	10%	
1991-1994	13%	
1995-1997	28%	
1998-present	58%	
Not available	NA	
<b>Kinds of Equipment**</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2004</b>
Slides	95%	100%
Swings	89%	65%
Horizontal ladders	46%	51%
Sliding poles	39%	22%
Chinning bars	19%	30%
Seesaws	11%	3%
Merry-go-rounds	5%	3%
Geodesic domes	11%	5%
<p><sup>5</sup> * The number in these columns indicates the percentages of the year of installation. These may contain a combination of different installation years at each playground site. NA represents percentages that are not available.</p> <p>** The numbers in these columns reflect percentages of equipment pieces were found.</p> <p>Grading Scale: A=90-100 B=80-89 C=70-79 D=60-69 F=59&gt;</p>		



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