

Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	76	100	C	A+
Easily viewed	99	85	A	B
Crawl spaces	96	48	A	F
Supervision rules posted	4	10	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			B-	C
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	31	35	F	F
Signage for age group provided	2	16	F	F
Provided change of direction	100	59	A+	F
Had guardrails	100	53	A+	F
Prevented climbing outside the structure	83	56	B-	F
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	87	59	B+	F
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			B-	F
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	49	34	F	F
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	98	NA	A
Appropriate depth of loose fill	27	1	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	38	28	F	F
Concrete footings were covered	92	93	A-	A-
Free of foreign objects	98	59	A	A
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing				C
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	83	74	B-	B-
Free of missing parts	88	88	B+	B+
Free of protruding bolts	87	84	B+	B
Free of noticeable gaps	97	62	A	D-
Free of head entrapments	87	57	B+	F
Free of rust	98	46	A	F
Free of splinter	84	81	A	B-
Free of cracks/holes	85	99	A	A
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			A-	C

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	5%	
1981-1990	37%	
1991-1994	23%	
1995-1997	17%	
1998-present	49%	
Not available	6%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	87%	89%
Swings	71%	55%
Horizontal ladders	55%	20%
Sliding poles	41%	10%
Chinning bars	30%	10%
Seesaws	22%	13%
Merry-go-rounds	18%	7%
Geodesic domes	18%	3%
<p>⁵ * 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></p>		



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