

Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	100	100	A	A+
Easily viewed	93	100	A-	A+
Crawl spaces	78	61	C+	D-
Supervision rules posted	35	11	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			B-	C+
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	44	33	F	F
Signage for age group provided	0	0	F	F
Provided change of direction	77	100	C+	A+
Had guardrails	83	98	B-	A
Prevented climbing outside the structure	69	98	D+	A
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	67	100	D+	A+
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			D+	B
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	80	89	B-	B+
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	94	NA	A
Appropriate depth of loose fill	54	35	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	62	91	D-	A-
Concrete footings were covered	69	100	D+	A+
Free of foreign objects	72	94	C-	A
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			D+	B+
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	61	85	D-	B
Free of missing parts	72	98	C-	A
Free of protruding bolts	69	96	D+	A
Free of noticeable gaps	74	85	C	B
Free of head entrapments	82	94	B-	A
Free of rust	62	91	D-	A-
Free of splinter	55	100	F	A+
Free of cracks/holes	86	100	B	A+
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			C-	A-

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	14%	
1981-1990	12%	
1991-1994	34%	
1995-1997	2%	
1998-present	50%	
Not available	6%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	94%	96%
Swings	76%	53%
Horizontal ladders	63%	47%
Sliding poles	50%	45%
Chinning bars	39%	28%
Seesaws	35%	21%
Merry-go-rounds	35%	23%
Geodesic domes	33%	87%
<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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