

<b>Supervision</b>	<b>2000 %</b>	<b>2004 %</b>	<b>2000 Grade</b>	<b>2004 Grade</b>
Adults present	57	73	F	C-
Easily viewed	94	93	A	A-
Crawl spaces	92	44	A-	F
Supervision rules posted	33	9	F	F
<b>Overall Grade: Supervision</b>			<b>C</b>	<b>C-</b>
<b>Age-Appropriate Design</b>	<b>2000 %</b>	<b>2004 %</b>	<b>2000 Grade</b>	<b>2004 Grade</b>
Had separate areas	40	42	F	F
Signage for age group provided	59	8	F	F
Provided change of direction	96	95	A	A
Had guardrails	98	97	A	A
Prevented climbing outside the structure	79	92	C+	A-
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	79	94	C+	A
<b>Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design</b>			<b>C</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	71	87	C-	B+
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	96	NA	A
Appropriate depth of loose fill	43	0	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	63	77	D-	C+
Concrete footings were covered	90	95	A-	A
Free of foreign objects	88	94	B+	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	90	81	A-	B-
Free of missing parts	77	89	C+	B+
Free of protruding bolts	91	89	A-	B+
Free of noticeable gaps	75	73	C	C-
Free of head entrapments	77	91	C+	A-
Free of rust	88	68	B+	D+
Free of splinter	82	86	B-	B
Free of cracks/holes	100	96	A	A
<b>Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance</b>			<b>B</b>	<b>B</b>

<b>Playground Equipment Profile*</b>		
<b>Year of installation</b>	<b>2004</b>	
Pre 1980	19%	
1981-1990	23%	
1991-1994	21%	
1995-1997	6%	
1998-present	50%	
Not available	9%	
<b>Kinds of Equipment**</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2004</b>
Slides	82%	87%
Swings	67%	51%
Horizontal ladders	36%	51%
Sliding poles	35%	31%
Chinning bars	27%	25%
Seesaws	22%	19%
Merry-go-rounds	15%	11%
Geodesic domes	5%	8%
<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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