

Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	83	100	B-	A+
Easily viewed	100	100	A+	A+
Crawl spaces	86	88	B	B+
Supervision rules posted	21	13	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			B-	B
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	40	40	F	F
Signage for age group provided	0	0	F	F
Provided change of direction	95	100	A	A+
Had guardrails	88	100	B+	A+
Prevented climbing outside the structure	67	100	D+	A+
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	92	100	A-	A+
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			C+	B
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	54	54	F	F
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	88	NA	B+
Appropriate depth of loose fill	30	0	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	39	54	F	F
Concrete footings were covered	8	96	B	A
Free of foreign objects	100	100	A+	A+
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			C-	C
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	79	92	C+	A-
Free of missing parts	75	88	C	B+
Free of protruding bolts	65	96	D	A
Free of noticeable gaps	50	75	F	C
Free of head entrapments	8	75	B	C
Free of rust	32	81	F	B-
Free of splinter	69	100	D+	A+
Free of cracks/holes	79	100	C+	A+
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			C-	B+

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	36%	
1981-1990	18%	
1991-1994	23%	
1995-1997	0%	
1998-present	45%	
Not available	8%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	96%	96%
Swings	71%	71%
Horizontal ladders	67%	100%
Sliding poles	68%	29%
Chinning bars	17%	13%
Seesaws	13%	21%
Merry-go-rounds	8%	4%
Geodesic domes	15%	8%
<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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