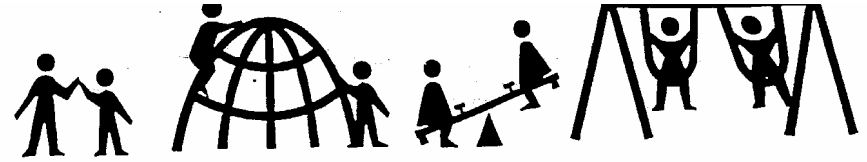


Supervision	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Adults present	29	83	F	B-
Easily viewed	100	100	A+	A+
Crawl spaces	98	72	A	C-
Supervision rules posted	12	4	F	F
Overall Grade: Supervision			C	C+
Age-Appropriate Design	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Had separate areas	67	40	D+	F
Signage for age group provided	13	19	F	F
Provided change of direction	94	98	A	A
Had guardrails	98	98	A	A
Prevented climbing outside the structure	50	98	F	A
Supporting structure prevented climbing on	54	98	F	A
Overall Grade: Age - Appropriate Design			C-	B-
Fall Surfacing	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Suitable materials provided	96	94	A	A
Heights of equipment 8 feet or lower	NA	100	NA	A+
Appropriate depth of loose fill	35	16	F	F
Six foot use zone had appropriate surface	79	92	C+	A
Concrete footings were covered	100	100	A+	A+
Free of foreign objects	75	83	C	B-
Overall Grade: Fall Surfacing			C+	B+
Equipment Maintenance	2000 %	2004 %	2000 Grade	2004 Grade
Free of broken parts	94	91	A	A-
Free of missing parts	92	96	A-	A
Free of protruding bolts	98	94	A	A
Free of noticeable gaps	54	75	F	C
Free of head entrapments	79	89	C+	B+
Free of rust	85	56	B	F
Free of splinter	80	100	B-	A+
Free of cracks/holes	95	100	A	A+
Overall Grade: Equipment Maintenance			B	B+

Playground Equipment Profile*		
Year of installation	2004	
Pre 1980	5%	
1981-1990	2%	
1991-1994	15%	
1995-1997	17%	
1998-present	55%	
Not available	17%	
Kinds of Equipment**	2000	2004
Slides	98%	98%
Swings	67%	68%
Horizontal ladders	52%	51%
Sliding poles	44%	21%
Chinning bars	27%	30%
Seesaws	23%	17%
Merry-go-rounds	10%	2%
Geodesic domes	4%	0%
<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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